



## Upcoming Events

- 12/15 Emmaus Family Night at ALA
- 12/22 - Christmas Parties
- 12/22 - Last day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- 12/24 - Children's Christmas Service, 4:30 and 6 PM
- 12/23-1/5 - Christmas Break

## Sports next Week

- 12/14 - Girls' BB practice, 3:30-4:45
- 12/14 - Girls' BB meeting, 4:45-5:15
- 12/15 - Boys' BB practice, 3:30-4:45
- 12/15 - Boys' BB practice, 4:45-5:15
- 12/16 - Girls' BB practice, 3:30-4:30 (Advent Service)
- 12/17 - Boys' BB practice, 3:30-5:00

## All School News

**Gift Exchange** - Each classroom (Preschool-8<sup>th</sup>) will be having a gift exchange on Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, during their Christmas Party. The way it works is like this. Each boy in a classroom buys a gift suitable for a boy in their room and each girl in a classroom buys a gift suitable for a girl in their room. Bring the gift to school before Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, marked "For a boy from \_\_\_\_\_ or for a girl from \_\_\_\_\_". The amount we are asking to be spent on the gift is \$10.00.

**Children's Christmas Eve Service** The children prek-8<sup>th</sup> grade will once again be leading a special worship service on Christmas Eve (Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>) at 4:30 & 6 pm. This year's service is entitled "Come, Lord Jesus". In this service the children will sing songs and recite passages to help us prepare our hearts for the birth of our Savior. The children will spend the next few weeks learning those songs and passages. It is very important to know which students will not be able to attend, so please inform your child's teacher if that is the case.

**Mid-Week Advent Services** - The church season of advent is upon us. Advent means coming and it is during this season that we prepare our hearts for celebrating our Savior's birth but also prepare for our Lord's triumphant return. To get prepared, Emmaus will be having the last Advent Service at 7pm on Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Before the service, at 6 pm, you are invited to a soup & sandwich supper.

**Cross Country Meet** - Tomorrow is the cross-country meet at Mountain View Park in Mesa. Directions and information was handed out to those participating on Wednesday.

**Thank you** - to those families that came to our fall sports recognition last night. It was great to have fellowship and thank God for the hard work and effort our students have put forth in our sports seasons so far.

**Basketball Standards** - With basketball fast approaching, we are looking into getting 2 more portable basketball standards. If you have one in good condition that you wish to donate to school or if you would like to contribute toward the purchase, please see Mr. Kaiser or Mr. Hintz.

**Christmas Caroling** - All families are invited to join us for Christmas caroling in the neighborhood tomorrow night at 6:00 pm. We will be loading up on a trailer and driven through the neighborhood as we reach out to our neighbors through Christmas carols. Dress warmly as it will probably be quite chilly!!

**Emmaus Family Night at ALA** - Tuesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, is Emmaus Family Night at ALA. Emmaus families have been invited to attend the JV and Varsity Boys basketball games free of charge that evening. There will also be a refreshment reception for Emmaus families. The JV game starts at 5:30 pm and the varsity games starts at 7:00 pm. Students in Grades 1 - 8 received one pass **per family**. We do have a few extra passes left in the office if any families from the Preschool, PreK or Kindergarten are interested in attending.

## Classroom News and Notes

### PRESCHOOL

Christ Light – “God Has a Special Message for Many”

We are working with the letter N, #14, and reviewing all the colors and shapes.

Please see that your child is getting enough sleep and eating a good breakfast.

### PRE-KINDERGARTEN

Christ Light – “The Tabernacle”  
“The Day of Atonement”

We are busy working on our Christmas service for the 24<sup>th</sup> of December. If your child will not be there, please let me know.

Don't forget about the Christmas gift exchange at our party on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of December and a snack to share.

### KINDERGARTEN

Christ Light – “The Tabernacle”  
“The Day of Atonement”

Kindergarten is working in their H book. We should complete it by Christmas break.

We have completed our second round of literacy bags. We will not begin a new round until January. Enjoy the break but please continue to read with your child.

### FIRST & SECOND

Christ Light – “The Tabernacle”  
“The Day of Atonement”  
“The Twelve Spies”

Hymn 29 – Lo He Comes With Clouds Descending, due December 18

Hymn 215 – Jerusalem My Happy Home, due December 22

Spelling – Grade 1, Unit 9; Grade 2, Unit 17

Book Report – Make a bookmark  
Memory Treasures – Work on Christmas Service

### THIRD & FOURTH

Christ Light – “God Gives His Law to His People” and “The Golden Calf”

Memory Treasures – Christmas Service

Spelling Unit 17 – December 14 & 18

We have again written letters to our “shut-ins” and senior friends. We wanted to send them greetings at this Christmas time.

We continue to receive Flat Stanleys that have been around the country. We now need to assemble our material and prepare to share it with classmates.

Our next book report will be on a book in which animals speak. It will be due the end of January.

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> we will have our Christmas Party. Each of the children are going to spend a few minutes entertaining. They may sing songs, read poems, play music etc. They should be preparing for this.

Remember to keep working on multiplication facts!

### FIFTH & SIXTH

Religion – Blessings from the Holy Spirit and The Gift of Forgiveness

The students have been doing a great job being prepared to say their Christmas service parts each day. Keep it up! Remember to review them, so you don't forget what you have memorized. Parents, thank you for your help with these parts at home.

### SEVENTH & EIGHTH

Pastor Bodjanac would like the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders to buy a cheap \$5 English-Spanish dictionary to have at school.

Book Report – There will be NO December book report. The next one will be January 8 and will be a book of your choice.

This past week Mr. Hintz proofread all eighteen research papers and emailed or handed back the papers with corrections. Following are the important dates for the rest of this project.

- Final draft of your paper due - **12/17**
- Final draft of project and presentation due - **1/7**
- Presentation days - **1/12, 1/14, 1/19, 1/21**

Parents' Corner

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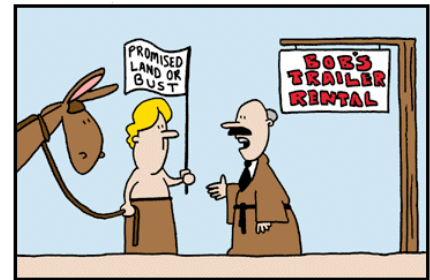
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Cartoon



Thanks to Mom Hengefeld 12-01-1997  
 SORRY FELLA, CAN'T HELP YA ... YOU SHOULD REALLY MAKE A RESERVATION A FEW DAYS IN ADVANCE ... ESPECIALLY IF YOU KNOW THAT YOUR WHOLE NATION PLANS ON MOVING TOO

Zudoku

How to Play: Every column, row, and box must have written in the numbers 1-9 without repeating.

1	4			3	2		
	2	7		5			3
3		5	2	6			
			3	2	6		
2							4
		4	9	7			
				3	6	1	7
7				2		4	8
		2	8				5
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- ✓ 12/15 Emmaus Family Night – JVB – 5:30 pm  
 VB – 7:00 pm
- ✓ 12/18 Christmas Concert - 7:00 pm
- ✓ [www.alacoyotes.org](http://www.alacoyotes.org)