***September 5, 2017***

**A glance at this week & next**

***Central Lutheran School***

4th Grade News

***Miss Keuning***

There is an early dismissal this Wednesday. Students will be dismissed at **12:15**.

Next Thursday, September 14, is our Open House night. There will be a meal at 5:30 followed by time to visit your child’s classroom, the first PTL meeting, and a presentation. Please plan to attend! ☺

**Memory Work**

**For Friday:**

Books of the Old Testament (Part 1)

Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy, Joshua, Judges, Ruth, 1 Samuel, 2 Samuel, 1 Kings, 2Kings, 1 Chronicles, 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, Job

**Reading**

This week we will be reading a story about Lewis and Clark. Students will learn about the author’s purpose and a set of new vocabulary words. We will continue to look at word endings and their meanings, especially as a skill to decode new words.

We will spend this week practicing the activities we will do in small groups during part of our reading time. Small groups will start next week when it’s a full week.

Just a reminder that reading logs are due Friday morning – students need to read at least 45 minutes during the week and parents need to initial, too. ☺

**Grammar and Writing**

This week we will focus on imperative and exclamatory sentences in grammar.

We will also learn more about how to construct good sentences and review how to write complete sentences. This will help your child to be a successful writer this year and in years to come!

Mr. Auger will continue to come in twice a week to work on writing with the students.

**Math**

This week the students will be reviewing subtraction, writing numbers through 999, and adding money.

**Social Studies**

Last week we began talking about the jobs that social scientists do and the different things they study. This week we will look at the items that students brought in and practice thinking like social scientists.

**Science**

We will continue in chapter 1, learning about what kinds of tools scientists use. We will also be talking about the scientific method. The students are excited for another hands-on science experiment!

**Spelling**

This week the students’ pre-test will be on **Tuesday** and the final test will be on Friday. In between, we will practice the words at school, but it is very important that students also practice at home, as there is not enough time to learn them adequately at school. This week our words will focus on the long “*a”* and long “*i”* sound.

sigh slight

right thigh

weigh tight

eight raisin

detail trait

height highway

spray frighten

braid dismay

bait freight

grain sleigh

**Challenge Words**

eighteen

daylight

mayonnaise

twilight

campaign

**Religion**

This week we will continue on in the book of Genesis with our story of the Tower of Babel, God’s promise to Abram, and Abram and Lot.

Chapel will be on Wednesday. Everyone is welcome to join us at 8:30 in the north gym.

**Library**

Library is on Thursday. If your child brought his/her library book home this past week, please have him/her bring it back so that it can be returned or renewed.

**Red Folders**

Just a reminder that your child’s graded papers will be in his/her red folder, along with any classroom and office announcements. Please be sure to look through these with your child. Also check for any papers that need to be corrected.

**Grades and Fast Direct**

I have the grade book set up on Fast Direct. I will be posting the grades we have so far this week.

**Scholastic Book Order**

The first book order of the year will come home this week with information about ordering with a paper order form or online. This information can also be found on the classroom website.

This is a great opportunity to allow your child to pick books that interest him/her at a very reasonable price!

**Grading Notes**

As you are looking through your child’s graded papers, I wanted to remind you of a couple of grading notes.

As you look through the math assignments, remember that a score of 92% and above does not require corrections.

A score of 76%-91% means that corrections are optional, but **highly recommended**. For each answer that is corrected, your child will receive one half of a point back.

Papers with a score of 75% or less **require** corrections on all questions with incorrect answers.

Papers that require corrections will be stamped as such and will also have a date stamp. Corrections are due back by the date stamped, or before.

Papers with a sticker, stamp, or grade will appear in the grade book.

Papers with a drawn star, check, check plus, check minus, or minus are practice papers and will not appear in the grade book. However, these symbols will help you have an idea of how well your child did on that particular practice paper.

**I pray you all had a safe and enjoyable holiday weekend!**

**Have a blessed week!**

- Miss Keuning