



Week of May 10, 2022



RECENT HIGHLIGHTS:

- The kindergarteners candled some of the eggs in our incubator. It looks like there are chicks in at least some of the eggs! Stay tuned for updates...
- This week the first graders are conducting an experiment to see what happens to plants that do not receive water or sunlight.
- The third and fourth graders are reading their last literature book of the academic year.
- The fifth, sixth, and seventh graders built a solar-powered robot!

CHOIR NOTES:

The Cherub Choir sings this Sunday. Please be ready to sing by 7:15am. They will have time to robe after they warm up. Please help your singers with their robes before and after services. Thank you!

For the Spring Concert next Friday, May 13, children should wear colorful shirts or tops with pants or skirts. Girls may also wear dresses. No shorts, please. Solids preferred. And please have them wear shoes or sandals and not tennis shoes so that we look neat and professional. Warm up will be 6:15pm before the 7:00pm concert. Please invite your friends and family!

LEARN-BY-HEART CATECHETICAL WEEK 34

Verse:

Romans 3:28

Catechism:

Table of Duties- To Workers of All Kinds: Ephesians 6:5-8

Leaders:

Verse: Elizabeth B.

To Workers of All Kinds:

Ephesians 6: 5- Wesley G.
Ephesians 6: 6- Edith H.
Ephesians 6: 7- Benjamin V.
Ephesians 6: 8- Alec W.



RETIREMENT ANNOUNCEMENT:

We are sad to announce that Mrs. Bender will be retiring from teaching at the end of this academic year. She has been an incredible asset to the Academy during the past two years and we will feel her absence. On the bright side, she will be available to be a grandma to her grandchildren, including the newest one that she is expecting to arrive in September! Thank you for your dedication and hard work, we wish you all the best!

ART NOTES:

Scissors are snip-snip-snipping, paint brushes are twirling, and oil pastels and crayons are breaking under stress as Academy artists put the finishing touches on their artwork for the Academy spring concert on May 13th. Thanks to Mrs. May, their voices will be in top form ... but will their artwork be ready??? No matter what, don't miss the concert and be sure to bring family and friends. It will be a wonderful evening!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 8** - Mother's Day
Cherub Choir Sings
- May 11** - Olivia's Birthday
- May 13** - Spring Choir Concert
- May 16** - Allison's Birthday
- May 17** - Board of Ed. meeting
- May 20** - Allison's Birthday
- May 22** - Academy Choir Sings
- May 16** - Allison's Birthday
- May 17** - Board of Ed. meeting
- May 20** - Allison's Birthday
- May 30** - Memorial Day
No School
- May 31** - Academy hymn sing
Service Day
- June 1** - All Academy Field Trip
- June 2** - Early Release
12pm dismissal
6pm Open House
7pm Honors Convocation
- June 3** - Catechetical Olympics
Academy Picnic
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



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SUMMER HOMEWORK

"There is no dispute about the summer slide- the fact that a summer away from school results in a loss in reading skill and, on average a month's loss."

Summer Homework: The Debate is Over, by Jack M. Jose

"Summer learning loss is greater, on average, in math than in reading."

Cooper and Nye (1996)

"Summer homework is beneficial. Summer homework

Helps to master time management. Improves executive functioning skills.

Helps to develop problem-solving skills. Is one more chance to review and understand studied material. Reinforces how to set priorities. Magnifies educational weak areas. Reinforces current knowledge.

Emphasizes responsibility. Keeps educational "muscles" limber and ready for the new academic year."

From **Summer Homework: Is it Worth Students' Time?**

The jury is in, and summer homework will remain an integral part of Peace Lutheran Academy's curriculum. This summer, homework will include primarily review materials, will include due dates throughout the summer (foiling procrastinators), and will be graded. In addition, the faculty has worked together to ensure that assignments are consistent across the grade levels.

All summer work will be distributed on the last day of school, June 3.



DRIVERS NEEDED

The all-Academy field trip to the Milwaukee Public Museum is scheduled for Wednesday, June 1. We are in desperate need of parents who would be willing to drive. If we don't have enough volunteer drivers by Friday, May 13, we will be forced to cancel the field trip. If you are willing and able to help with transportation, please let Mrs. Ferguson know, along with how many spaces are available in your vehicle (not including the front seat).



END-OF-YEAR SLIDE SHOW:

Our Awards Convocation this year will conclude with the traditional end-of-year slide show. If you have photos from Academy events (field trips, first day of school, spelling bee, etc.), would you be willing to share them? If so, please send them to Mrs. Ferguson by May 12 for inclusion in the slide show. It's important that all PLA students are represented in the show.

ACADEMY PICNIC:

The Academy picnic will be held on Friday, June 3 immediately following the Catechetical Olympics on campus. All Academy students are invited as are all faculty and families. This is a non-uniform day. The event will begin with a picnic lunch and will be followed by fun and games. Attached to this newsletter (and posted on QuickSchools) is an information sheet for families detailing the schedule. All families are asked to fill out the bottom portion of the sheet and return it with payment to the Academy by Friday, May 20. Any questions can be directed to Laura Ferguson.,

YEARBOOK PREFERENCES

Last week the selection forms for yearbook preferences went home with the newsletter. Additionally, the same forms were uploaded to the QuickSchools parent portal. If your children have not already made their selections and returned their forms, please make every effort to have them completed and returned by Monday, May 9. Thank you for your consideration.

CALLING ALL LIBRARY BOOKS:

All Kaminski Library books must be returned by Friday, May 28. Once the inventory has been processed, the library will be open for the summer for any interested students and families.