

The Cornerstone Contact

February 24, 2025



~~ From The Office ~~

Welcome to another short week. This week Thursday & Friday we will have our mid-winter break. Enjoy another long weekend.

MISSION MONTH

On Wednesday, our seventh & eighth grade class will be hosting their sundae sale. See next page of this newsletter for all the details.

Swimming Lessons:

Grade 3/4 families, swimming lessons start next week. An email will be coming out tomorrow regarding this with all the info you will need. There will be payment needed (\$55) along with paperwork to sign but we will send all that info out to you tomorrow when we have it from Forge Fitness. We will require these items back here at school by next Monday, the 3rd.

This week our basketball season will come to an end. If you have a child playing please wash your jerseys and return them to the front desk in a ziploc bag with your child's name on it. One child per bag and one jersey set per bag (if you have 2 sets), this helps us to know who has returned them and where they need to go to be stored. Thank you!



Psalm 34:14

"Turn away from evil and do; seek peace and pursue it"

Happening this week:

Wed: Sundae Sale
Thurs: Mid Winter Break - No School
Friday: Mid Winter Break - No School

Birthday Greetings:

Wed: Adam D
Thurs: Elise V
Fri: Lleyton L



Freshman Student TTC Driving Schedule

Tuesday:

Drop Off From CCS to TTC (10:10am):

Karen M & Janice D

Pick Up From TTC to CCS (12:00 pm):

Karen M & Tessa K

Thursday:

Drop Off From CCS to TTC (10:10am):

No School

Pick Up From TTC to CCS (12:00 pm):

No School

Middle School Basketball Schedule for the week!

Boys:

Today - **GOLD**- vs BCS Blue @ CCS 4:30pm

Tues - **MAROON** - vs **GOLD** @ CCS 4:00pm



Ice cream sundaes!



Delectable, creamy, goodness, scrumptious, mouth-watering

- When?- Wednesday, 26th of February
- Where?- In the school kitchen during high school & elementary recess/lunches
- Prices?- \$1 per scoop, max of 5 scoops
- Why? To raise money for Word & Deed in Indonesia

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~~ From Mrs. Kruyswijk ~~

Thank you for the coin contributions that have come in so far for Mission Month! Please note this week Wednesday is the last day for the coin drive. We love your support! Thank you for helping us help God's little ones in Indonesia!

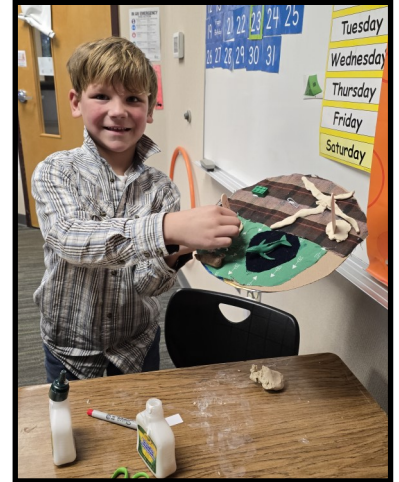
M - Review

T- Matthew 25:14-30 Parable of the 3 Servants

W - Crossword Puzzle with past Bible facts

MATH 1 Doubles + 1, more on playing store with dimes and pennies, review and a test

MATH 2 Review of -5s, review and test



~~ From Mrs. Kooiker ~~

With this being a short week, we won't have a spelling list and test. We are enjoying learning about and writing poetry in both classes.

1st Grade:

VoWac Phonics: Lessons 92-94, end of unit test (vowel, consonant, silent e & vowel teams)

Spelling: No spelling this week

Stories: "The Great Ball Game"

Grammar: end punctuation

Writing: poetry

2nd Grade:

VoWac Phonics: Lesson 207 and end of unit test (irregular vowel teams)

Spelling: No spelling

Stories: "The Mouse and The Motorcycle" By Beverly Cleary, "The Dinosaur Who Lived in My Backyard"

Vocab: fossil, extinct, peat, mammoth, hatched, swamp, rescue, sprinkler, scientist, difficult

Grammar: contractions

Writing: Poetry - Cinquain

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~~ From Mrs. Groves ~~

This week marks my final week at Cornerstone for the school year, and as I reflect on the past 6 months, my heart is filled with gratitude. I am incredibly thankful for my amazing class and all the learning, growth, and memories we have shared throughout the year. It has truly been a joy to teach and watch each of my students flourish. I wish you all God's abundant blessings as you continue through the rest of the year—keep learning, growing, and shining!

Bible(¾):

Mon: Jehoram, Ahaziah

Tues: Athaliah and Joash

Wed: Joash repairs the temple

Math(3):

Mon: find the sum of three addends

Tues: division facts of divide by 2 and divide by 5, fact assessment x0 and x5

Wed: written assessment, determine the likelihood of an event, determine the fairness of a game

Language Arts (3):

Spelling: doubling final consonants before a suffix

Reading: Kids did It and The Cobbler's Song

Writing: diamante poems

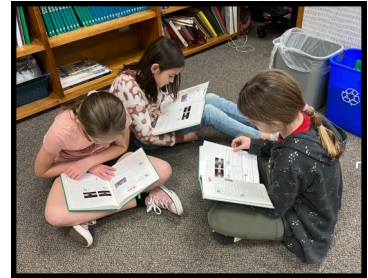
Handwriting: pages 112-115

Grammar: singular and plural

Science (¾): forces and electricity

PE (¾): Tuesday

This Wednesday, our class will be having a pizza party to celebrate my last day! Since pizza will be provided, there's no need to pack a lunch—just snacks.



~~ From Mrs. Stevens ~~

Grade 4 Language Arts

We have a very short week this week due to Mid-winter break so we will not have a new spelling list but will review past lists. I will be sending home the *Creative Response to Reading for March*. Please assist your student in choosing a fiction book and have them bring it to school **Monday, March 3rd**.

Reading: "Number the Stars" Chapters 12-14

Vocabulary: drunkard, stricken, contempt, donned, sprawling

Grammar: Sentence pattern: S-VI-PA

POS (Part of Speech): helping verbs

Writing: "Roll-a-Story" Final copy

Spelling: Review

Homework: 3 W's: The What Chart is due Wednesday. Please review your student's work before they turn it in as I'm looking for high quality work.

~~ From Mr. Houweling ~~

Grade 4 Math

Many thanks for the effort and work that's being put into supporting your child at home with lesson completion and corrections. It's bearing fruit in the classroom. Keep at it. Have a wonderful Mid Winter Break.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
L83	L84	L85

Have a wonderful short week

Memory Work:

Grade 5 & 6: Tune My Heart to Sing Thy Grace

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~~ From Mrs. Kooiman ~~

Last week our bake sale was a huge success, as we more than doubled our fundraising goal! Thank you all for the delicious treats that were contributed. The students did such a good job working throughout the day as well.

Last week we also started our geography unit on the regions of the United States with state capitals. For this week, one thing to note is our first state capital quiz on the west region of the United States on Wednesday.

Have a great short week!

Bible: starting unit on Leviticus

Language Arts

- **Reading:** The Witch of Blackbird Pond - text to self connections

- **Writing:** 5 paragraph essay presentations

- **Spelling:** no spelling this week

- **Grammar:** appositives

Science: the nervous system at risk

History: the roaring 20's

Geography: west region state capitals quiz on Wednesday

Devotions:

- Monday: Tamsen

- Tuesday: Charlotte

- Wednesday: Bennett

- Next Monday: Rylea



~~ From Mrs. Bareman & Mrs. Sterk ~~

This week we plan to have a test, as well as complete Lesson 80 and Investigation #8.

We're convinced that having Math 5 and 6 separately this year has been a positive development for the students. We can actively teach the concepts to our students, and have time to assist them as they're working. However, as outside teachers, we don't have the luxury of occasionally finding an extra 15 minutes for our students to work on their math homework.

We also haven't been able to schedule weekly tests on Friday, in order to minimize homework on the weekends. Consequently, most of our students have homework on a daily and week-end basis. We appreciate parental oversight making sure that the homework is completed.

One more thing: It will be helpful to know that we will be doing Investigation 8 on Wednesday, February 26th. Our practice has been to go through these particular lessons as a class and if your child will be absent, please ensure that he or she goes through the material independently. 6th grade students will be focusing on geometric construction of bisectors (a compass & ruler will be needed) and 5th grade will be graphing points on a coordinate plane.

~~ From Mrs. Kottelenberg ~~

(1) Recorder practice:

- Scales and Warm Ups (blue page): # 1, 4, 7

- Focus on "F": p. 26 - 28

- Optional: Review songs from p. 1 - 25.

(2) Listening Links assignment for Term 2 will be coming home this week.

(3) Bring purple recorder folder to class on Tuesdays!

Absent email: absent@cornerstoneschool.us

CCS is Pistachio & Cashew Aware!

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Memory Work: Grade 7: Ps.71:3 Grade 8: Ps. 148:1

Next Week: Grade 7:82:2 Grade 8: Ps.13:3

~~ From Mr. Houweling ~~

In completing our Bible course, the end of unit test required the students to summarize the Bible's main thread as discussed by Malachi concerning Jacob and Esau. Many students responded similarly to this answer below:

"In the beginning, the ancestors of all mankind, Adam and Eve, turned away from God and sinned against Him. This act of sin plunged the entire human race into sin, and we are all tainted from it. God, being just, requires that sin be punished with the eternal flame of hell. But, in His lovingkindness, He appointed a group of people to be saved. In order to save His children, He sent His perfect Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross. This death washed all of God's children's sins away, and now when we confess our sins, He looks at us as though we never had nor committed any sin: we are perfect in His eyes. This act of incomprehensible love makes me willing and ready every day to love and serve Him with all my heart, soul, and mind, for the rest of my life and all eternity."

Don't you just love that response!

With term 3 just around the corner, our course curriculum ramps up a notch. I often remind students that they need to spend the School Handbook recommendation of 70 mins per day on working through their assignment work to stay on top. This time of the year is the bottleneck part of the year. It can be compared to the struggle of a butterfly as it exits its cocoon: it must go through the pain of the narrow opening in order to enter the big wide world and survive. May the Lord provide the necessary strength and stamina for the road ahead.

Our Bible lessons have switched gears now. The main program from now on is Church History, but every Friday we're going to meet as class in a discussion forum to discuss the scheduled bible chapter. We started with Acts chapter 1 this past Friday, and because this week Friday is Mid Winter break, next week Friday we will discuss Acts 2. Please see the schedule below.

Each child must prepare themselves for the Friday discussion. They need to read the bible chapter before Friday, as well as think of a question for the class to discuss. There will be assignment questions that they need to answer and hand in on that day also. These assignments are all posted in the Google Classroom. Two eighth grade students will present a short essay on various verses for the chapter; and one student will be the chairperson!

Remember that this Tuesday, the 25th, Mr S Chase has organized a fantastic Gold Panning field trip. See his email for more details.

Remember that this week Wednesday is our Mission Month Fundraiser "Ice Cream Sundaes" See separate advertisement in this Contact.

Here's the list for this week:

Wednesday

- Peyton's Book Selling presentation
- Dictation 12
- Memory Verse
- This week: Ps 71:2 (7) Ps 143:1(8)
- **Next Friday**
- Ps 82:2 (7) Ps 13:3 (8)
- Spelling Unit 19
- Bible Discussion Essays on Acts 2: Kiersten, Jude and Lleyton. Justin will be leading the discussion

Book Selling Presentations

- **Wed 26th Feb:** Peyton - **Fri 7th March:** Chase - **Thurs 13th March:** Jake

Everyday:

- Work on Cue for Treason Antagonist interview assignment (Due March 7)
- Prepare Book Selling Presentation (grade 7s)
- Complete Book Selling Presentation Reflection after it's been presented
- Math corrections and completion of lesson work
- Spelling and dictation assignment work.

Friday Bible Discussions:

Date	Topic	Essay	Leader
7 th Mar	Acts 2: Christ baptizes His own with the Holy Spirit		
	Verses 1- 13	Kiersten	Justin
	Verses 14 - 32	Jude	
	Verses 33 - 47	Lleyton	

Church History Lessons this week:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
The Church in the Old and New Testament	Terms of the Enlightenment:	Church History A precedent is set
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assignment questions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • scholasticism, rationalism, mysticism, and gnosticism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The years before for the Liberation

7/8 Mathematics:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
L86	L87	L88

Devotions this week: Mon: Chase, **Tues:** Jake, **Wed:** Justin

Devotions next week: Mon: Kaylyn, **Tues:** Lucy, **Wed:** Josiah, **Thurs:** Emma, **Fri:** Lily

General News:

Upcoming Dates:

Feb. 27 & 28 - Mid Winter Break
Mar. 6 - Wacky Hair Day
Mar. 13 - Elem 2nd Term Reports
Mar. 14- PD Day
Mar. 17 & 19 - Elem P/T Conferences
Apr. 4 - HS Third Qtr Reports
Apr. 7-11 - Spring Break
Apr. 17 - Grandparents Day
Apr. 17 - Easter concert
Apr. 18 - Good Friday

From the Cleaning Ladies:

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Cleaning Schedule:

This Week: Feb 24-28

Jada T, Jolene V, Jolene Vdl, Sharon V

Next Week: Mar 3 - 7

Beth V, Sarah W, Michelle V, Michelle Van.

From the Ladies Aid:

Save the Date!

Our Spring Ladies Aid Membership meeting will be on March 10 at 7:30 in the Lynden ARC basement. We hope to see many of you there!