



EGLS Middle School News

"Our Future is in God's Hands"

March 17-20



Did You Know!

- Our second **EGLS Skating Party** at Skate land in Waukesha is scheduled for **Monday, March 17** from 3:45-5:45 p.m. All EGLS students and parents are invited to join us for this evening of fun and fellowship. The skating party will be followed by a PTL Fundraiser at the Burger King on Bluemound from 5:00-8:00 p.m. You will need the PTL flyer to ensure that your order is credited to EGLS. We hope you can join us!
- The next meeting of the **Parent Advisory Committee** is scheduled for **Tuesday March 18 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Art Room. If you are interested please join us! Have you completed your foreign language survey? We would like to review those at our next meeting so please get those in.
- **Martin Luther High School** is sponsoring a **Parent Information Night** on **Monday, April 7** from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the high school (5201 S. 76th St). The information night event is geared for parents of **students in grades 5-7**, who might like to know more about Martin Luther High School.
- **Spring Break** begins Friday, March 21 through Sunday, March 30. Classes resume Monday, March 31. **Third quarter ends** Thursday, March 20 and reports go out Wednesday, April 2.
- We now have a **Photo Gallery** on the new website. If you have any pictures we can add to the gallery please send your pictures by CD or by email to Mrs. Pankow at dpankow@egl.org.

Classroom News

5th Grade Class: Hi everyone! It seems like the weather may be becoming a bit gentler. I wonder how long that will last. At least we have been seeing a little more of the sun! A reminder: **Battle of the Books** is coming fourth quarter! The lists were given out at home visits in August. I remind the class frequently, but a reminder from you would help too. Maybe you could quiz them on what some of the books were about. The more they read from the list the better! **DARE** has begun, and T- shirts were sent home last week. Students should wear them for class on Tuesdays. In Religion next week we will have a review for the test on Monday. The **Unit Test** will be on Tuesday, March 18. It will cover Lessons 52-66. We will then begin our Family Life Unit on Thursday, March 20. Memory finishes the third quarter. Fourth quarter sheets will be sent home on Thursday, March 20.

6th Grade Class: You can start bringing in items at anytime for the 6th Grade Gardening Bucket for the annual auction. The bucket arrived on Thursday and looks very empty! Parents, check with your students for daily updates on the progress being made on the first challenge of becoming more respectful, courteous and positive. Congratulations to Rebecca on her superior rating for her flute solo in the Solo Contest last Saturday! Third quarter ends on March 20 so make sure you are caught up with all homework and tests! Achievement testing will begin on Monday, April 7. We appreciate your efforts to avoid absence during that week. The bookshelf at the back of the classroom is well-stocked and ready for use. "Check out" all the new books that were purchased with Market Day funds and a generous gift. There are a couple of reference books, some books of lists and records and even one entitled "Is That a Dead Dog in Your Locker?"! Let's see if every sixth grader can remember to bring a chapel offering on Wednesday. Our offerings during March will support A Place of Refuge. Give thanks to God for His many blessings to you! May God continue to bless your family as you gather together around His Word in devotions at home and as you come together for worship during Holy Week! ☺ – Mrs. Bessert / Mr. Marose **Religion:** On Monday next week we will review lessons 58-61 on Jesus' Ministry in Judea in preparation for the Unit 6A Quiz on Tuesday. This will be the last grade of

the quarter. The students will also receive their fourth quarter Memory Sheet next week, and I will get those posted on my bulletin board on Fast Direct for parents to access throughout the quarter. –Mr. Angell

7th Grade Class: Way to go Seventh Graders, I am so proud of you! You did an awesome job reading and taking A.R. tests! Keep your eyes peeled for the date of our trip to the movies. Don't forget that the new trivia question can be found on my bulletin board on Fast Direct. Thank you to all the seventh graders for singing at the Wednesday Lenten Service.

You sounded awesome! The devotion leaders for this week will be: Austin – Tuesday, March 18, and Andy – Thursday, March 20 (don't forget that this can also be found on my bulletin board on Fast Direct). Remember that the quarter ends this Thursday, and report cards will come home when we return from break. You should have received a Church and Sunday School from this week. Please place this on your refrigerator to keep track of your attendance. Then turn it in on Monday, March 31. You also should be receiving a letter this week regarding the auction. Seventh grade class will be compiling things for a tailgating basket. The class brainstormed a list of things they thought we should include. The items will be listed in the letter. Remember we can make this a success by having everyone help. We pray for safe travels the Weller family as they venture to Germany. Have a safe and blessed weekend!

8th Grade Class: Kringle sale – part 2 information went home with all eighth grade students on Thursday, February 28. Two order forms were attached. All orders must be turned in to Mrs. Weymier on or before Monday, March 31. Everyone had a great time at the eighth grade Mardi Gras celebration. We tasted some great food that is traditional to New Orleans and caught some beads. Special thanks to the Margrett family for hosting this party. Only eight more weeks until we leave! If you were unable to attend the Family Life Education parent meeting on Tuesday, March 11, you may stop at school to pick up a copy of the book I will be using with the class. It is important that you go through the material with your child first before we cover it in class. Make sure the book is returned to school before May 5, as we begin our class on Monday, May 12. Where has the school year gone – Remember when I visited your home in August and said, “This year will fly by.” Wouldn't you agree?

Mathematics (Annual Pi Day: 3/14 at 1:59pm)

5th Grade: Chapter 7: Fraction Concepts, develops an understanding of improper fractions as mixed numbers, and fractions in simplest form. **Quiz on Thursday.** Connection is made between fractions and decimals. If you have any questions or concerns about 5th Grade Math, contact me at dmarose@egl.org. ☺

6th Grade Chapter 9: Geometry and Measurement, which reviews measurement and extends it to find the surface area and volume of three-dimensional figures. We are scheduled to have a **quiz on Thursday**. Remember you may go online and try out the new interactive online materials, quizzes, etc. that can be accessed by going to www.phschool.com. Enter the **Web Code aaj-0951**. Click “Go” and access the self-grading chapter quizzes. From here you may click on **► Go to Prentice Hall Mathematics: Course 1 Student Home Page** and choose other online materials that tie in with the math we are learning. If you have any questions or concerns about the Math class, contact me at dmarose@egl.org.

7th Grade: Chapter 8 investigates **Geometry and Measure**, which reviews and extends the study of two-dimensional figures and surface area and volume for three dimensional figures. We will schedule a **Quiz for Tuesday**. Review on Tuesday and Wednesday, **Test** scheduled for Thursday. We should be able to finish chapter 8 before Spring Break. Remember you may go online and try out the new interactive online materials, quizzes, etc. that can be accessed by going to www.phschool.com. Enter the **Web Code abj-0851**. Click “Go”. From here you may click on **► Go to Prentice Hall Mathematics: Course 2 Student Home Page** and access the self-grading chapter quizzes and test other online materials that tie in with the math we are learning. If you have any questions or concerns about the Math class, contact me at dmarose@egl.org.

7th Pre-Algebra: On Monday next week we will finish our last lesson for Chapter 9 Spatial Thinking. On Tuesday and Wednesday we will review the chapter and then on Thursday take the Chapter 9 test. If you have any questions or concerns about the Pre-Algebra class, contact me at mangell@egl.org.

8th Pre-Algebra: Quiz on Wednesday. Remember you may go online and try out the new interactive online materials, quizzes, etc. that can be accessed by going to www.phschool.com. Enter the Web Code **adj-0951**. Click “Go”. From here click on ► **Go to Prentice Hall**

Mathematics: Pre-Algebra 2007 Student Home Page and access the self-grading chapter quizzes and test other online materials that tie in with the math we are learning. If you have any questions or concerns about the Pre-Algebra class, contact me at dmarose@egl.org.

Algebra: We completed Chapter 9 Polynomials and Factoring, today and will review the chapter on Monday and Tuesday. The Chapter 9 test is scheduled for Wednesday, March 19. If you have any questions or concerns about the Algebra class, contact me at mangell@egl.org.

Social Studies

5th grade: Chapter 11–The Constitution of the United States: This week we start by looking at the Articles of Confederation and the groundwork it laid towards the Constitution itself. We will also look at the details of the Constitutional Convention of 1787. Keep reviewing your notes this week and on break to keep the information fresh in your mind.

6th grade: Chapter 11–Europe in Transition: What do knights, ladies, castles, and the reformation all have in common? It will occur in our classroom over the next few weeks. We begin by looking at the geography of Europe, this will set the stage for the layout of the manor. Then we will look at the causes of the Middle Ages and how it developed. Keep reviewing your notes this week and on break to keep the information fresh in your mind.

7th grade: Chapter 23–The Andean Countries: This week we will look at the rest of the South American continent. We will work on a map activity to help us identify location of the countries (and their capitals). We then begin by taking a tour of Colombia. From there, we will proceed to tour (learn) about Peru, and Ecuador. There will be a quiz on Colombia on Thursday. Remember to keep reviewing your notes this week and during the break to keep the information fresh in your mind.

8th grade: Chapter 10–World War I: This week we will start our quick chapter on WWI, also called the Great War. We will learn about the series of events that led to this worldwide battle. We will also see the roles the United States played during this conflict. Please be aware that there are two quizzes this week, one on Tuesday (10-1) and one on Wednesday (10-2). Remember to keep reviewing your notes this week and during the break to keep the information fresh in your mind.

Literature

5th grade: We are well into **Number the Stars** and are learning much about history in the process. We will finish through Chapter Six this week. We will discuss new vocabulary associated with this book and work on skills of: compare/contrast, and symbolism. There will also be opportunity for a new writing activity.

6th grade: We will continue Jean Merrill’s fun novel, **The Pushcart War**. We will be reading through Chapter 31 and do some continued mapping and comprehension work. We will also work on the areas of taking sides and decision-making which can be tricky to navigate even as an adult!

7th grade: This week we will be reading through Chapter 22 in **The Westing Game**. We will be working on comprehension questions and vocabulary, and there will be a **Comprehensive Quiz on pages 1-132 on Monday, March 17. Study!**

8th grade: The eighth grade has finished **Johnny Tremain**. We will be sharing our essays orally this week, and will take the **Final Test on the book on Monday, March 17**. We will also view the movie version of the book this week and will start a new book after Easter break.

Language Arts/Spelling

5th Grade: In Language Arts our **Unit Three Test will be on Monday, March 17.** After that we will start Unit Four and study adjectives and articles for the remainder of the week. The Spelling unit this week is number 28. **There are No Extra words this week due to the short week. Enjoy!**

6th Grade: Language Arts: We have been working on the next writing project, “Explaining How”. Draft 1 was due on 3-14. Draft 2 is due on 3-17. Final draft (two copies) is due on 3-19. Then, it’s back to some grammar. –**Mrs. Weymier Spelling:** Unit 28 will be due on **Thursday, March 20** (there is no school on Friday the 21). Test one will be on Tuesday, March 18 and test two will be on Friday, March 20. Remember you can complete PART E for extra credit.–**Mrs. Budnik**

7th Grade: Language Arts: The class will wrap up their studies on **Chapter 13: Complements** with a test on **Monday, March 17.** Review the following steps and locate your magic card to ensure utmost success on your test. Remember these simple steps: *1. Cross out all prepositional phrases 2. Check to see if the verb is action or linking (D.O./I.O. only go with A.V., and P.N./P.A. only go with L.V.) 3. If there is a D.O. check to see if there is an I.O. 4. Use your magic card!* **Spelling:** Unit 28 will be due on Thursday, March 20. Test one will be on Tuesday, March 18, and test two will be on Thursday, March 20. Don’t forget, to complete PART E as part of the assignment this time. Also, extra credit (name places for basic words) is due on Tuesday for up to 10 points extra credit.

8th Grade: We are going to be wrapping up this chapter pretty soon. Make sure you have your magic card handy to help you with DO/IO and PN/PA identification. We will be doing some chapter review activities on Monday and Wednesday next week. The chapter test is scheduled for Wednesday, April 2. We will be doing one more round of bingo as well. Unit 29 is next in spelling. Test 1 will be on Tuesday, March 18. Test 2 and bookwork will be on Thursday, March 20.

Research Paper

7th and 8th Grades: Continue to bring your note cards and research paper folder to class on Monday and Tuesday. This past week we continued to review the mechanics of writing the paper from Textbook Section 7: **Writing the Paper II -Mechanics.** We looked at the purpose of the closing paragraph Textbook Section 8: **Closing Paragraph** and Textbook Section 9: **Putting it all Together.** Continue to adjust your opening paragraph and outline as you continue the writing process. I will gladly look these over as you make your adjustments. I gave a handout with an extensive **final-check-list** page. The **Final Checklist** is very helpful and useful. As we have discussed the paper will be turned in as a hard copy (paper) and a soft copy (computer file), along with the note cards in order as per the directions. I have received more Emailed soft copies this year than any other year. I guess it is a sign of the future. Remember to read your paper out loud, your own ears and common sense can be very helpful in crafting the flow of your paper. While **March 31st** research paper turn in date is coming up, you may turn your research paper and note cards in the week before. This would give me a more time to read (and reread) your paper. If you have any questions or concerns about the Research Paper, contact me at dmarose@egl.org.

Science

5th Grade: Chapter 18: Force – There is a quiz scheduled for Monday, March 17 so make sure you look over the worksheets and notes before then. Remember, assignments are not given out every single day so when you do receive one, it is important to take your time and do your very best work on it. Think through the question and your answer before you write something down. Make sure you understand the question so that the answer you give makes sense. There is only one more section in the chapter and then it’s test time!

6th Grade: The Animal Kingdom: Invertebrates –We will be wrapping up roundworms and segmented worms next week. I have scheduled an invertebrate quiz for Tuesday, April 1 (and

that's not a joke). There are three more invertebrate phyla to study, mollusks, arthropods and echinoderms. Then it is test time.

7th Grade: Chapter 10: Forces –We have gone through two of Newton's Laws of Motion so far. Some crazy teacher was even launching balls across the classroom last week☺. Newton's third law, friction, gravity, weight and universal gravitation are all topics for next week. I am predicting the chapter test on April 4.

8th Grade: Chapter 18: Respiratory and Excretory Systems –This is a pretty short chapter, especially since much of what is involved in these systems overlaps with other systems we have already done. Isn't our body a fantastic creation! The test over this chapter will be on Thursday, March 20. We will be setting up the dissection folder on Tuesday, 3-18. The dissection folder will be the main source of information, notes, and assignments for the next unit. Do not lose it!

Health

6th Grade: J.O. Y journal entries are due on Monday. The "Getting Along" unit test is also on Monday.

7th Grade: Read pp. 22-29 in the March Current Health and complete the worksheets for discussion next Thursday.

8th Grade: Read pp. 22-29 in the March Current Health and complete the worksheets for discussion next Thursday

Physical Education

We will conclude our long jump rope unit by creating team routines on Monday, which will be presented to the class on Wednesday. March is National Sportsmanship Month. Basketball seasons are winding down in high school and college. "March Madness" is coming with the NCAA basketball tournament. Teams will be playing for the National Championship and as their games are televised, how well will they demonstrate sportsmanship on the court? We begin class with sportsmanship quotes or thoughts and try to apply these in the games and activities we do in Physical Education. Students will be encouraged to bring in articles about sportsmanship that will make the Wall of Fame or Wall of Shame! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by phone or e-mail at Tanderson@egl.org.

Music

5th Graders: For March 20, be prepared for the Memory Check on the March HOM. You may write the March HOM, stanzas 1, 2, & 3 and include the author, composer, tune name and the other tunes that could be used with this text for extra credit. Be prepared for a Mad Minute on handbell note names (no numbers this time.)

6th Graders: For March 20, be prepared for the Memory Check on the March HOM. You may write the March HOM, stanzas 1, 2, & 3 and include the author, composer, tune name and the other tunes that could be used with this text for extra credit. Complete the J. S. Bach biography sheet.

7th Graders: For March 18, be prepared for the Memory Check on the March HOM. You may write the March HOM, stanzas 1, 2, & 3 and include the author, composer, tune name and the other tunes that could be used with this text for extra credit. Complete the John Towner Williams biography. Thanks for the great singing with the 8th graders at the Lenten service on March 12!

8th Graders: For March 18, be prepared for the Memory Check on the March HOM. You may write the March HOM, stanzas 1, 2, & 3 and include the author, composer, tune name and the other tunes that could be used with this text for extra credit. Complete your composer biography. Thanks for the terrific singing with the 7th graders at the Lenten service on March 12!

Performance Groups

Jubilate Ringers: We are now preparing for church on April 13 (8:00) and Spring Fling on April 29. Your cooperation and good rehearsal behavior is needed! Study for your Mad Minutes – you'll have 75 seconds next week!

Band/Strings: Congratulations on the great ratings at the Solo and Ensemble Contest! You will receive your medals in May at the awards assembly. Thank you to Rebecca D'Agostino and Laura Huber for playing their solos at chapel this week. Nice job, ladies! See Mrs. Wiegert if you are interested in attending a band camp this summer at LuWisiMo. Keep Mrs. Krug in your prayers as her due date draws near! Students and parents may contact the instructors at ckuenzi@egl.org (strings) or lkrug@egl.org (woodwinds & percussion) or swiegert@egl.org (brass/saxophones & Group Band.)

Art

5th Grade: No Assignment.

6th Grade: The finished lime mosaic is due on Monday, March 17.

7th Grade: Sketch #16 is due on Wednesday, March 19. The 3rd quarter Art test will be on Thursday, March 20. Please use your study guide to help you prepare.

8th Grade: Your final 3-D lettering is due on Wednesday, March 19. The 3rd quarter Art test will be on Thursday, March 20. Please use your study guide to help you prepare.

Student Council

Have a great Spring Break! A full council meeting will be held on Friday, April 4.

Upcoming Events

- 3/14 MLESAA Position Day: 7/8 girls- 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. @ Milwaukee Lutheran High School
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- 3/15 Saturday Band-Concert @ MLHS, 7:00 pm.
- 3/16 Palm Sunday K-5 Choir sings @ 8:00 am. service or K-5 Choir sings @ 10:45 am. Service
Saturday Band-Concert @ MLHS, 3:00 pm.
- 3/17 EGLS Skating Party @ Skateland, 3:45-5:45 p.m.
PTL Fundraiser @ Burger King (17980 Bluemound Road) 5:00-8:00 p.m.
- 3/18 Market Day pick-up, 3:45-5:00 pm. Fellowship Hall
Gr. 5-Webelos Meeting, 5:30-7:00, Scout Room
Parent Advisory Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m. Art Room
Boy Scout Meeting, 7:00-8:15 pm. Fellowship Hall
- 3/20 Maundy Thursday-Chapel-8:35 a.m.
End of 3rd Quarter
EGL Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 p.m.
- 3/21 Spring Break-No School
EGL-Good Friday Services, 12:00 and 6:30 pm.
- 3/22 EGL-Easter Vigil Service, 7:00 pm.

Praise Corner

This week the **Girl Scouts of America** are celebrating their 96th Birthday. In chapel on Wednesday we recognized all of our Girl Scouts and we also wanted to recognize them and their leaders in the newsletter. We praise and thank God for all of our girl scouts and their leaders.

Junior Troop 2578, Grade 5: Leaders-Sue Wilcox, Barb Kramer. Scouts-Katelyn Elvers, Jene' Kramer, Megan Rentmaster, Ann Wilcox, Korrie Wolber. **Junior Troop 2863, Grade 6-7:** Leader-Martha D'Agostino. Scouts-Rebecca D'Agostino, Caitlin Hessenthaler, Mollie Radewahn, Kierstan Leaf.

Way to go EGLS! **In the AR Challenge Elm Grove Lutheran School was 3rd place out of 87 schools**, with EGL scoring over 3288 points. **Seventh grade** won the Trip to the Movies by being **1st out of 87 schools**. This was the first time an EGLS class had placed first! Second place for the Papa John's Pizza Party is **4th grade** being **2nd out of 76 schools**. Third place for

the McDonald's Happy Meal Party is **3rd grade** being **4 out of 78** schools. Fourth place for the Einstein Bros. Bagel Party is **8th grade** being **6 out of 67** schools . The top three individual students who scored the most points and won a \$10.00 gift card to Barnes & Noble are **Nikolas Weller** (5F) with 167.7 points, **Michael Huber** (7B) with 208.2 points, and **Alyssa Krueger** (7B) with 244.5 points. Elm Grove Lutheran School is very proud of our fantastic readers!

MS News Question of the Week

Student's Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: _____

Question: Where can you attend a band camp this summer?

You're Answer:

Parent's Signature: _____

Date: _____