

PARENT MEETING AUGUST 13, 2010

1) PRAYER

2) SCHEDULE (GRADES 1-8)

- Schedule: many classes to get in, BE TO SCHOOL ON TIME each delay means classes missed
- Monday:
- Tuesday: Art class
- Wednesday: Memory Work, spelling Pretest, Music, Wednesday Special Studies
- Thursday: Memory Work - Catechism/Confirmation
- Friday: Hymn Memory Work, spelling test, Vocab quiz: 3rd - 6th grade, PE: CLOTHING IMPORTANT, SHORTS, T-SHIRTS, TENNIS SHOES, NO SANDALS
- Be early to school (7:45-8:00 a.m.) Not before 7:30 a.m.
- Pick up your child from school on time - anything past 3:15 p.m. should be checked with teacher
- Be considerate and call

3) LUNCH

- bring cold lunch or something for the microwave (write name on lunch and put in fridge)
- bring something that is easy to prepare
- bring a snack for 1st recess

4) DISCIPLINE

- students expected to listen, do what they are told the first time, and be respectful
- any problems I will call
- make positive at home routines with consistent bedtime, enough sleep, and a good breakfast
- 3 rules (Ask for permission, Be considerate of your neighbor, Tend to your business)
- clothes pins for preschoolers and kindergartners

5) HOMEWORK (ROUTINE) AND PLANNERS

- set good study habits now when they are young, it will be easier when they get older
- same time, same place
- no distractions (tv, radio, people)
- at desk/table, not in the car or van
- be available, no answers, important they do work on their own
- if not done they will be in at 1st recess, no recess until it is done, docked 10 pts.
- all homework needs to be done not just part of it, one thing not done, in at recess
- always have something each night, reading, spelling words, memory work, book report, leftover work
- 1st graders will have spelling words to write at home each Monday night
- check your child's planner (assignment book) for work - 3rd - 7th
- they need to bring it to school everyday and take it home each night
- if they don't have it at school, they get name on the board
- call if you aren't sure what your child has for homework
- don't let your child get away with, "I didn't know I had to do that."
- homework incentive for each day, week, month (Race Around the Circus Maximus)

6) READING HOMEWORK (GRADES K-3)

- read orally to parent each night
- sign bookmark and put back in book (excuses like “We didn’t have a pen” or “She forgot, but I read” don’t cut it) **DO IT, READ WITH YOUR CHILD AND HAVE THEM READ TO YOU!**
- spend time *sitting next to your child without other distractions/show this is important to you and them*
- reading is the building block of learning, **IMPORTANT EVERY NIGHT**
- if the story is long, you can read a little to give your child a break

7) FOLDERS (ROUTINE)

- goes home every day
- look at papers to see how your child is doing (comment both strengths and weaknesses)
- folders **emptied, signed, and dated** over the weekend and brought to school on Monday
- Monday morning this is what I should see:
 - 1) Empty folder - nothing in it
 - 2) Your signature - your name signed on the inside of the folder
 - 3) Date - the date you signed the folder over the weekend
- Monday Note comes each Monday - tells of the happenings at school, read, sign and send Tuesday
- READ THE NOTES, DON’T JUST SIGN THEM AND SEND THEM (*You might find some funny mistakes*)**

8) MEMORY WORK

- child can do it on own, but you will have to tell them to do it (3rd - 7th)
- PreK - 2nd graders will need help so practice going over it with them
- no distractions (tv, radio, people)
- read over and over phrase by phrase
- have them say it to you word for word, if not, send them back again
- younger grades-repeat a phrase after you say it
- DO A LITTLE EACH NIGHT**
- Wednesday passage due, Thursday Commandment due, Friday hymn due
- preK - K passages due on Friday

9) PARTIES AND FIELD TRIP VOLUNTEERS

10) BOOK REPORTS (GRADES 2-7)

- start September
- 1 month to complete book and questions
- do a little each night
- get your child to start early and keep them doing it till it is done (long term assignments)
- read one chapter and then do questions for that chapter

11) CLOTHING

- NO SANDALS**, (rubber shoes are fine as long as they wear socks)
- kids like to play at recess (climb, run, jump, etc.) appropriate clothing should be worn
- Friday PE day: T-shirts, shorts, tennis shoes
- watch the length of girls’ clothing (shirts, skirts, and shorts) no spaghetti strap tank tops - modest dress
- No ripped jeans or clothes

12) DROPPING OFF AND PICKING UP YOUR CHILDREN

- school starts at 8:15 a.m. This doesn't mean come at 8:15 a.m. This means all students need to be on their way to chapel or should be starting devotion at 8:15 a.m. not waiting for students to unpack bags, put lunch away, and hand homework in at 8:15 a.m.
- school ends at 3:00 p.m. If you are going to be late picking up your child, please call and let me know
- other people have things to do also and are depending on you to pick up your child on time
- fill out the list of who you want to pick your child up from school, your child will only go with them
- make arrangements for someone else taking your child to a friend's house before school and call to let me know
- the front area is not a playground

13) SCHOOL CANCELLATIONS AND DAYS OFF

- during severe weather, follow public school: if they are closed, we are closed
- our school calendar does not coincide with public school: just because public school has off doesn't mean we do, and we may have off when they don't

14) SPECIAL DAYS

- watch Monday notes
- watch monthly calendars

15) SUPPLIES

- make sure your child has all of the supplies he or she needs
- when your child runs out of an item, please restock, other students should not be expected to give your child supplies

16) DON'T BRING TO SCHOOL

- Don't bring CD's, Gameboys, iPods, or other electronics, or money to school (at own risk)**
- only exceptions are when we are going on long field trips**
- cell phones need to be turned off during school and ONLY USED AFTER SCHOOL IN ORDER TO CALL FOR A RIDE**

17) T-SHIRTS

- school t-shirts are \$6 a piece**

18) SOUP LABELS AND BOX TOPS

19 FALL FESTIVAL

20) WEBSITE - PICTURES AND VIDEO

www.winterhavenlutheran.org

21) BOAT RACE

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Education Sunday, August 29, 10:15 a.m. Covered Dish Meal to follow service
- No school Labor Day, Monday, September 6
- Recess Game Night (adults and children) Friday, September 24, 6:30 p.m. bring a snack or drink to pass