Raiders News

January 29, 2021



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Sometimes it feels like we got away. It seems like we outmaneuvered God somehow or that circumstances we couldn't control put us out of reach of his protection and healing. Those are hard times. We can't pretend they're not hard times. We just can't see any relief at the end of the rainbow. We can't even see the rainbow. Then we realize our Shepherd is willing to be unconventional. Sometimes he lets the sheep go first. He chooses not to be out front in a pillar of blazing hope. Sometimes he catches up with us from behind. We learn this the hard way over a lifetime of faith. "Even when the way goes through Death Valley . . . your beauty and love chase after me every day of my life" (Psalm 23:4,6 MSG). Even when we want to look forward, and believe in looking forward, sometimes we can only go on by remembering God's past mercy to us.

The Lord is our Good Shepherd who gives us all those nice things we cherish: green pastures, quiet waters, overflowing cups. What makes him an absolutely Great Shepherd is that he relentlessly, without interruption, pursues us in his grace. His goodness and mercy are always following us; always closing in on us; always on the verge of overcoming our pain, heartache, loss, and grief. We know from past experience he will catch up. And we will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

Taken from https://timeofgrace.org/chased-by-the-shepherd/

New Year Updates and Reminders from the Reformation Financial Office

2020 Statement and Payment Summary

At times, families are looking for a statement of their payments for a calendar year, for childcare or other school expenses. FACTS can provide you this statement with a few clicks at any time. You can choose a calendar year or a specific time frame for a payment summary report. Click here (attached pdf file) to see how to navigate to this statement in your FACTS account.

FACTS Account Check Up

The start of a new year is a good time to check in with your FACTS account to be sure everything is as it should be. We recommend going to FACTS online (www.factsmgt.com) every month to log in and review your financial account. Sometimes, we rely on the email invoices we receive and don't go to the website to review our account in its entirety. This can result in missing notices about due dates, late payments and late fees. At the beginning of each month, FACTS also sends an email with an account overview; the subject line will read "STATEMENT: Reformation Lutheran School." This statement will show you the current status of your account, including important information about this current school year and any previous years in which a past due balance may appear.

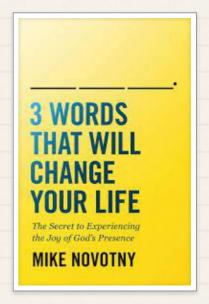
At any time, please contact Sarah Rodrigues with your FACTS account questions. She can be reached at <a href="mailto:reached-superstanding-reached-superstanding-superstand-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstand-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-superstanding-s

NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY TO START!

3 Words that will Change Your Life by Mike Novoty

GOD is here. That tiny little sentence can change everything. Truly understanding God's presence is the key to more happiness, less boredom, more rest, less rush, more love, less drama, more peace, less fear.

A deeply satisfying life doesn't require a sabbatical, a new career, or a new year's resolution. As long as God is glorious enough and near enough, you can cast aside the cheap substitutes you've settled for and enjoy the life that is truly life here and now. This book will help you shake off the guilt and shame of sin and see yourself as God sees you.



Find the joy he has been waiting to give you as you discover how three little words can revolutionize your relationship with God.

Our first meeting, will be on Saturday, January 30th at 9am. If you have signed up for this men's bible study, Mike Ross will be sending you the zoom link ahead of time.



New Teenage Girl Life Group Starting Soon!

This 8-week study is geared towards teenage girls in middle and high school. This particular Bible study focuses on the inner beauty that we receive because of Jesus' love for us. We will use "Divine Makeover: God Makes You Beautiful" by Sharla Fritz. Copies of the book will be provided at no charge to the attendees.

Date and times will be announced soon. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Lowndes at lowndesj@refsd.org.



NEW - SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS

Ki's School Lunches will be available to purchase starting Tuesday, January 12. Ordering is LIVE NOW! https://kis.naturallunches.com/ You can order hot or cold entrees along with fresh fruit and vegetable sides, with a large list of optional add-on items. Ordering will be available for Tuesdays and Fridays, when there is a full day of school for grades K-8. Refer to the attached pages for more information – all of this is on our school website also. You MUST order in advance, lunches are not available on-site for purchase on the day of service.

Classroom Update from Ms. Bianca and Mrs. Lamp













Hip Hip Hooray! The 2 1/2 and 3 yr olds are having fun learning new things every day! We don't just learn our ABCs and 123s in this class. After learning all about our Savior's birth at Christmas, we studied animals in winter, animal tracks, and even discovered facts about our solar system.

We are currently learning about children who live in different cultures in different parts of the world. What their country's flag looks like, what they wear, and the most fun part.....what type of music they listen to. Look out, we've picked up some very cool new dance moves to keep our bodies active and healthy ①.

Most importantly though, we've learned so much about how Jesus loves and cares for us. Did you know that we can go to him with absolutely any trouble or problem we have? That's right! Even though we can't just go and walk up to and speak to him, we can pray. We can trust him to hear us and answer our prayers. What a wonderful Savior we have!













Parking Lot Reminders

When using the back parking lot for Kindergarten and Grades 2-8:

- Please drive slowly
- Please <u>do not pass</u> other vehicles unless directed by a staff member. Patience is key; use the time waiting to say a prayer to seek guidance for the day ahead.
- If you need to park and personally go to your student's classroom, please use the front
 parking lot. We encourage you to set a meeting with the classroom teacher. Please
 remember that we are trying to avoid having additional adults spending time on campus
 during the school day to minimize our interactions and exposures.
- If you arrive after 8:30am, please use the front parking lot and students will enter school through the front office.

Preschool Information for Summer and Fall 2021

In order for us to plan ahead and be prepared for your students in the summer and fall, please help us by sharing your plans with us. Often, some students change their schedule for the summer months or take a break from preschool entirely.

If your student will be away from Reformation Preschool for longer than 4 weeks/1 month, please let us know the last day they will attend school and the first day that you are requesting they re-enroll. A \$300 Registration Fee must be paid to re-enroll and return to preschool. As you know, our classrooms have been full and we will give priority to your requests to re-enroll before we accept newly enrolling students. But we must know this request well in advance so that we can best accommodate your child.

A reminder that your child's \$300 registration fee will be due by June 30th, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year, unless your child will only be here for the summer months (June July, August) then you will be billed \$25 per month registration for those months.

Please complete this form by February 1, 2021.

Summer and Fall Registration 2021

2021-2022 Re-Enrollment Survey

This school year has been an interesting one! We have still been welcoming new families to our school, while in a typical year we say hello or goodbye to only a few grade school students during the school year. What an amazing thing to see God continue to bless our school even during these uncertain times, and we are grateful that we are here to provide an outstanding Christian education for families who are looking for it. Almost every one of our grade school classrooms is full this school year!

Even though we are still welcoming new families this year, we are also beginning to look ahead to the next school year. In an effort to help us begin that process and plan accordingly, we are asking you to share your thoughts regarding re-enrolling your student here at Reformation for the 2021-2022 school year. We are not requiring you to put any money down or make any Registration payments at this time. We are simply asking for your thoughts and plans.

Please complete the Google form survey below to indicate whether you plan to re-enroll your student at Reformation next year or not. If you are unsure at this time, please indicate that as well. This will help us understand our enrollment size for the 2021-2022 school year and plan teaching assignments.

To help speed up the planning process, we ask that each family fill this out immediately. We have begun receiving new enrollment inquiries for the upcoming school year, so we want to be able to answer accurately when we are asked if we will have space in our classrooms next year. If you have any questions about this Google form, speak to Mr. Ross directly.

Thank you for helping us plan for next year!

2021-2022 Re-Enrollment Form

Dress Code Reminders

- Please take a moment to refresh our school's uniform policy. Details are found on pages 20-23 of the School Handbook, which can be found online: https://a916ffd6132790ff0925-072b1e3e147e6666674a9fae4af79d58.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com/uploaded/h/0e10830343_1598298479_handbook-2020-2021.pdf
- Please remember that all pants should be 'Dockers-style' uniform pants, not leggings or other tight-fitting pants. When girls wear skirts or dresses, they must wear shorts as well.
- Shirts are to be plain white, red or navy blue polo-style/collared shirt or blouse.



Lost & Found Items

Along with current COVID-19 prevention efforts to reduce the number of additional people on campus comes a difficulty for parents trying to locate misplaced student belongings. We encourage all families to label all your student's items (sweatshirts/sweaters, lunch bags, water bottles, etc.) so they can be easily returned to your student when found on campus. If your student is missing an item, please contact his or her teacher for assistance in locating it.

Jewelry and other Items of substantial value will be in the office. Please check there as well. We have had odd items fall out of cars and backpacks in the morning. Thank you.



Wednesday Chapel available on YouTube

Parents and families are invited to join us for our weekly chapel worship service, Wednesday mornings at 8:30am, using videos through YouTube. Chapel services, along with Reformation's weekly worship services, are available on our YouTube channel at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM0y6DBdor8AryGfhd2cfYA.

Wednesday chapel services are streamed live at 8:30am and also posted online for viewing at your convenience. Please join your Reformation family for these worship opportunities. For more details about weekend worship at Reformation Lutheran Church (Saturdays at 6pm and Sundays at 8am), go to http://www.reformationsandiego.org/worship-services/

Arrival Time Encouragement

School days begin at 8:30am. Students in grades K-8 need time to transition and prepare for their school day to be successful. In many classrooms, students are filling in daily planner pages or completing other preparations before 8:30am. Please make every effort to bring students to school early enough (as early as 8:00am) to help them prepare for a successful school day.

JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

ON SATURDAYS AT 3:00 PM & SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM

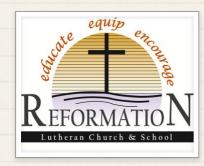
Reformation Family Calendar

Wednesdays at 8:30am - Live-Streamed Chapel Service everyone is welcome!

Foundations 101 - Sundays starting January 24 at 9:00 am Men's Bible Study - Saturdays starting January 30 at 9:00 am



A monthly calendar is updated on our website, and a full school year calendar is available also. Click here to review these calendars. (http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/)



About Us

Facebook

The eternal truths of God's Word are the foundation of our school, its curriculum, and all its activities. Our goal in Christian education is to provide each child with the maximum development of God-given spiritual, physical, and mental abilities. We offer Christian education in our Preschool (ages 2.5-5) and Grade School (K-8).

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