# Raiders News

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# Live in Grace, Walk in Love

"Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God." Ephesians 5: I-2

## **MESSAGE FROM THE PRINICPAL**

#### Thank you Mrs. Mangini!

I was trying to come up with some heartfelt words that would fully encompass Jenny Mangini's time here at Reformation. Unsurprisingly, I couldn't. I'm not built that way. So, I went looking for some inspiration to find words that would describe Mrs. Mangini's time as a teacher. Unsurprisingly, I couldn't find the inspiration. I realized I was looking at things all wrong. Yes, while Jenny is a kind and caring person and a hard worker, I was focusing on the person. I wasn't focusing on God, the one who gives Jenny the ability and strengths that she has. So, I turned to the Bible for my inspiration. Unsurprisingly, I found exactly what I was looking for!

**Humility:** The apostle Paul, John the Baptist, and Jesus himself, all extremely humble. True humility is being confident of who God has made us to be in Christ. Jenny knows who she is in Christ.

**Endurance:** Look up Acts 20:24-25. Here the apostle Paul says that endurance might be the most important character quality in ministry work. Working, teaching while pregnant cannot be easy! Jenny endured while teaching the students, setting a wonderful Christian example, and working with Ms. Halie. She knows that God is there with her and gave her the strength to finish out her time here with us and set up her classroom and students for success the rest of this school year.

**A Servant's Heart:** If you continue in Acts 20, verses 33-35 show that the Apostle Paul modeled the heart of a servant. God calls us all to build others up, sometimes even at a cost to ourselves. God raised up Mrs. Mangini to be a giver and an example as she followed Jesus' words. "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

We thank the Lord for sending Jenny Mangini to bless our school and congregation with these attributes (and there are more, but this posting can't go on that long!). We thank Jenny Mangini for all of her hard work in helping Reformation share God's good news to so many students and their families.

God's blessings Jenny, as you welcome a daughter into your family!

#### One Week Remaining! - Early Bird Registration for 2021-2022 School Year!

Don't delay! Classroom are filling up fast!

Early Bird Registration for the 2021-2022 school year begins Friday, February 12. Anyone who registers their student(s) by March 5, 2021 will receive a registration rate of \$250 per child. This is a discount from our standard \$300 registration fee. Re-enrolling during this Early Bird timeframe is the only way to guarantee a space for your student in the 2021-2022 school year. Beginning March 8, the total Registration Fee for 2021-2022 school year increases to \$300, and we will begin accepting applications for new students. We encourage you to re-enroll now as we believe classrooms will be full prior to the start of school this fall.

• 2021-2022 Grade School Tuition is \$6,900.00.

• To receive Early Bird Registration rate of \$250, you must return this form and pay the fee by March 5, 2021.

• Only continuing families are eligible for Early Bird Registration.

• Registration Fees can be paid by cash or check (mailed or dropped off at the school office) or can be added to FACTS (contact Sarah Rodrigues <u>rodriguess@refsd.org</u> to request this). Payments on FACTS must be completed by March 5, 2021 or an additional \$50 will be charged to adjust for the regular rate.

• Registration Payments are Non-Refundable.

### Click here for Early Bird Registration Form!

#### Parenting Book Club

Parenting is one of the biggest blessings and one of the hardest jobs that we have. This Book Club is meant to come alongside you and encourage you in this wonderful journey. This is an opportunity for us as parents to connect and lift each other up while also learning new approaches and ways to connect with our children. It will be a mixture of parenting books and other Christian books encouraging us in our faith walk. To start out, we will be having two different opportunities at the end of each month to chat about the book. One will be in person on the school campus and the other will be via Zoom. Look for more information in the weeks to come on what the exact date and time are for the week of March 22 for us to meet and discuss this first book. Look forward to seeing you there!!!



The first book we will be covering is **The Five Love Languages of Children**, by Dr. Gary Chapman and Dr Ross Campbell. In this book we will see how we can make sure that our kids know that we love them. Finding out their distinct love language can help you assist your child in successful learning, have a better approach to discipline and correction, but most importantly, it can help you build a foundation of unconditional love with your child. "Discover your child's primary language—then speak it—and you will be well on your way to a stronger relationship with your flourishing child."

If you have any questions please contact Jess Bohl: 760-585-6123 or jess.bohl07@gmail.com.

#### Classroom Update from Mrs. Mangini and Ms. Flores



Groundhog Day cupcakes



First Book Reports of the Year

February has been a fun filled month for the first graders. In late January we welcomed Miss Halie to our classroom. She will be taking over as the first grade teacher as I leave to prepare for the arrival of baby girl Mangini. Miss Halie has done a fantastic job of getting to know the first graders and making a smooth transition as the full time teacher.

The first graders along with Miss Halie and I have spent the month celebrating lots of big events. We started the month by celebrating Groundhog Day. Our class watched Punxsutawney Phil as he crept out of his hole and saw his shadow. We celebrated the day by eating cupcakes that had a chocolate groundhog popping out of the cupcake. Later that same week the first graders presented their very first book reports to Miss Halie and I. The students created dioramas, posters and 3D models to show what they learned from their book. The following week we had an entire day of fun when we celebrated both the 100th Day of school and Valentine's Day on February 11.

This last Friday of February also happens to be the last day of teaching for me (Mrs. Mangini). I have made the choice to take some time off from teaching and focus on our family. I am forever grateful for all the love, generosity and kindness that the parents and members of Reformation have continuously shown to me throughout my ministry here. I truly enjoyed teaching first and second grade and sharing my love for music with everyone. I pray that God continue to bless the ministry here at Reformation. Although I will be taking a break from teaching I will still be a part of the Reformation family as a member and parent. I want to share the words from Colossians that remind me of my years here as a called worker:

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs with thankfulness in your hearts to God." Colossians 3:16







First graders are practicing putting numbers in order on the 100th day of school.



First graders are being challenged to create something out of 100 Legos.

# 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 <u>here</u> (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 <u>rodriguess@refsd.org</u> or (858) 279-3311, ext. 1. Or, you can contact FACTS directly for technical help with your account and activity—(866) 441-4637.

# Celebrate Easter at Home with an Egg Hunt Egg-stravaganza!

Celebrate the true and glorious meaning of Easter at home with your family this spring! Using pictures and a video, set up an egg hunt for your kids at home that will help them learn the events in Jesus' life as he died on the cross and rose on Easter to be our Savior. We'll provide filled plastic eggs, instructions and materials and a link to the accompanying video. The whole family can participate in a fun and meaningful Easter activity.



To request an at-home Easter Egg-stravaganza kit, please use this <u>online form</u>. Share this invitation with a family you know who may want to learn about their Savior this way.

Kits will be available for pick up here at church on Saturday, March 20, 9am-11am.



#### Teenage Girl Life Group

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.

Classes will begin on Monday, February 8 at 3:30 pm. If you have any questions or are interested in joining, please contact Jennifer Lowndes at <u>lowndesj@refsd.org</u>.

### NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

#### 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.



#### Ki's School Lunches - Service has Expanded!

You can take a break from packing a lunchbox on Tuesdays, THURSDAYS and Fridays by ordering from Ki's School Lunches! With more than 35 entrée choices each day, there is bound to be something your student will enjoy. Place orders online (order for the entire month in advance!) and cancel up to 8am the same day. Go to <u>www.kisschoollunches.com</u> or <u>http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/school-lunch-options/</u> for additional details and to create your account to place an order. Orders must be placed by noon the day prior to lunch service to avoid a last-minute late order charge.

#### Tech Tip: Ministries for Children and Families

#### Children's Ministry Resources to Help Families Meet the Unique Needs of This Time

One of the many lessons we have learned as a result of the pandemic is the need to be flexible and to think about new ways of carrying out our ministries. It seems that what we know today is always different from what we thought we knew yesterday. Yet one key thing has not changed — our children have a vital need to hear the only message that can provide a rocksolid foundation for their lives through the assurance of their forgiveness and new life in Christ.

Northwestern Publishing House, our church body's provider of trustworthy resources, books and media, is offering free Sunday School lessons to use at home. Each week we will receive links to Lutheran teachers who are leading virtual Sunday School lessons using the Christ Light curriculum for the Old Testament. You can access the first lessons (God Creates Man and Woman) at:

Pre-K to K: https://www.youtube.com/watch?reload=9&v=3oQEP-10cPE&feature=youtu.be

Grades 1&2: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SbO8InwnGv8&feature=youtu.be

Grades 3&4: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XgmCKRTXmN8&feature=youtu.be</u>

Grades 5&6: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A7XYInB4U4A&feature=youtu.be</u>

We are sharing these resources with you with the prayer that they will help to meet the unique needs of this time as they help you reach the children in your spiritual care with the gospel of Jesus. Updated links will be made available each week in our Weekly Update emails.

If you would like to be added to our church's weekly update, please contact the office at <u>officemanager@refsd.org</u>



#### 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.

# JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SATURDAYS AT 7:00 PM (INDOOR) & SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM (OUTDOOR)



### 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 <u>https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM0y6DBdor8AryGfhd2cfYA</u>.

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 <u>http://www.reformationsandiego.org/worship-services/</u>

### **Reformation Family Calendar**

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

#### March

Friday, 5 - Deadline for Early Bird Registration! Friday, 5 - No grade school/Teacher's Conference Monday, 8 - Open enrollment begins for the 2021-2022 school year Saturday, 20 - Egg-stravaganza Kit pickup Wednesday, 31 - Preschool closes at 3:00pm

#### April

Tuesday, 13 - Preschool Spring Pictures



Foundations 101 - Sundays starting January 24 at 9:00 am Men's Bible Study - Saturdays starting January 30 at 9:00 am Teenage Girl Life Group - Monday's starting February 8 at 3:30 pm Women's Life Group - Tuesday's starting February 9 at 6:30 pm

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



#### About Us

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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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