

Raiders News

January 14, 2022

Campus Closed on Monday, Jan. 17, for Martin Luther King Day

As a reminder the campus will be closed on Monday, January 17, in remembrance of Martin Luther King. There will not be grade school, preschool or shepherd's care that day.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL: JOY VS. HAPPINESS

What would make you happy, like really happy? If you were asked and you didn't have to admit it out loud, what would you say? Would you be happy if you had a little more money? What about a full head of hair? Would you finally be happy if you got a promotion or if your grandkids called you more often?

For most of us, happiness is a concept that's off in the distance. We're here. It's way out there. To find happiness, we try out different bridges to reach it. Have you ever tried a diet or gone shopping or even drowned your sorrows in a glass? Yeah, me too. It may take awhile, but soon enough we figure out that these things don't really work.

As believers, you and I know our real goal in life is not happiness, but rather joy. Paul says it this way: **"Rejoice in the Lord always"** (Philippians 4:4).

Happiness comes and goes with circumstances. Joy, on the other hand, is quite different. Joy is finding contentment where you are right now. No more bridges, just contentment.

So are you still looking for happiness? I'm not sure you'll find it. What I do know is that in Christ you already have everything you need to rejoice!

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FAMILY GAME NIGHT TOMORROW EVENING, SATURDAY, JAN. 15!



Join us Saturday, January 15, for a fun filled Family Game Night in the Reformation Gym. The games will take place from 6 pm to 8 pm. Drinks and hors d'oeuvres will be provided. Feel free to contribute any special drinks, or small snacks to share. Don't forget your favorite games as well!

Bring your friends!

Contact Pastor Neil Birkholz at birkholz@refsd.org for questions.



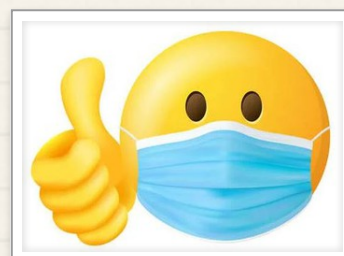
Accreditation Visiting Team

Monday through Wednesday, we had a visiting team verifying our evidence for the 241 standards. The team found that we met 239 standards! We thank the Lord for all the people, staff, parents, and volunteers that put their time and effort into working through the self-study. The visiting team noted, "You warmly welcomed us. Adults and students displayed their politeness and kindness in their greetings and conversations. Your words and actions displayed a sincere interest in the ministry the Lord has laid in front of you. It was evident to us that you earnestly desire to serve Him in the very best way possible." We have one final step. Reformation will need to develop a written 5-year School Improvement Plan and submit that to the WELSSA Executive Director. If approved, we will be accredited through September of 2028!



Face Masks

Some days our stock of masks is bountiful and somedays we are very limited. Please make sure your child has a mask as they come into school each day. Thank you!



NEW YEAR RE-BOOT REQUESTS



Lost & Found will be donated to a local charity after today, 1/14

If you have a student who has lost anything, please stop by today after school to look through the lost and found. After today, all lost and found items will be donated to a local charity. Thank you.



Pick Up Number Hang Tags

When you pick up your students after school, PLEASE be sure you display your pick up ID number in your vehicle. This is especially important for families of students in grades 1-8 picking up in the back parking lot. Sometimes it is difficult for our staff to see your friendly faces through the windows and sometimes we have other people helping out with identifying cars/parents picking up. Please help us out by displaying your number on your mirror or other prominent place. If you need a replacement hang tag, please request one from Sarah Rodrigues (rodriguess@refsd.org).

Student Belongings

Please label your student's belongings with their name. This includes water bottles, lunch boxes and clothing items such as jackets and sweatshirts. It's easy to find washable labels online or at stores like Walmart. Please also encourage your student to bring everything home each day. We know you invest your money in all of their items, and labeling them will help your items not be lost forever. Also, our campus will look great without a variety of things laying around at the end of each day. Thank you!



GOOD SHEPHERD BIBLE CAMP (GSBC) CONTEST

GSBC CONTEST DESIGN THE 2022 THEME!

EXTENDED!



We want YOU to design next year's theme!

- 3 Possible Winners!
 - Camper (4th-6th grade)*
 - Camper (7th-10th grade)*
 - Staff (11th grade+)*
- Prize for each winner:
 - A FREE week of camp!



*Grades based on 2022-2023 school year

Good Shepherd Bible Camp is hosting a contest, and we have extended our deadline! We want YOU to design our 2022 theme! What's the prize? A **FREE** week of camp for up to 3 individuals (two campers and one staff)! To enter, submit your name along with a theme, Bible verse, logo, and your name to gsbcmail@gmail.com by **February 11th** for a chance to win! For more information and to see past themes, head over to our Facebook page!

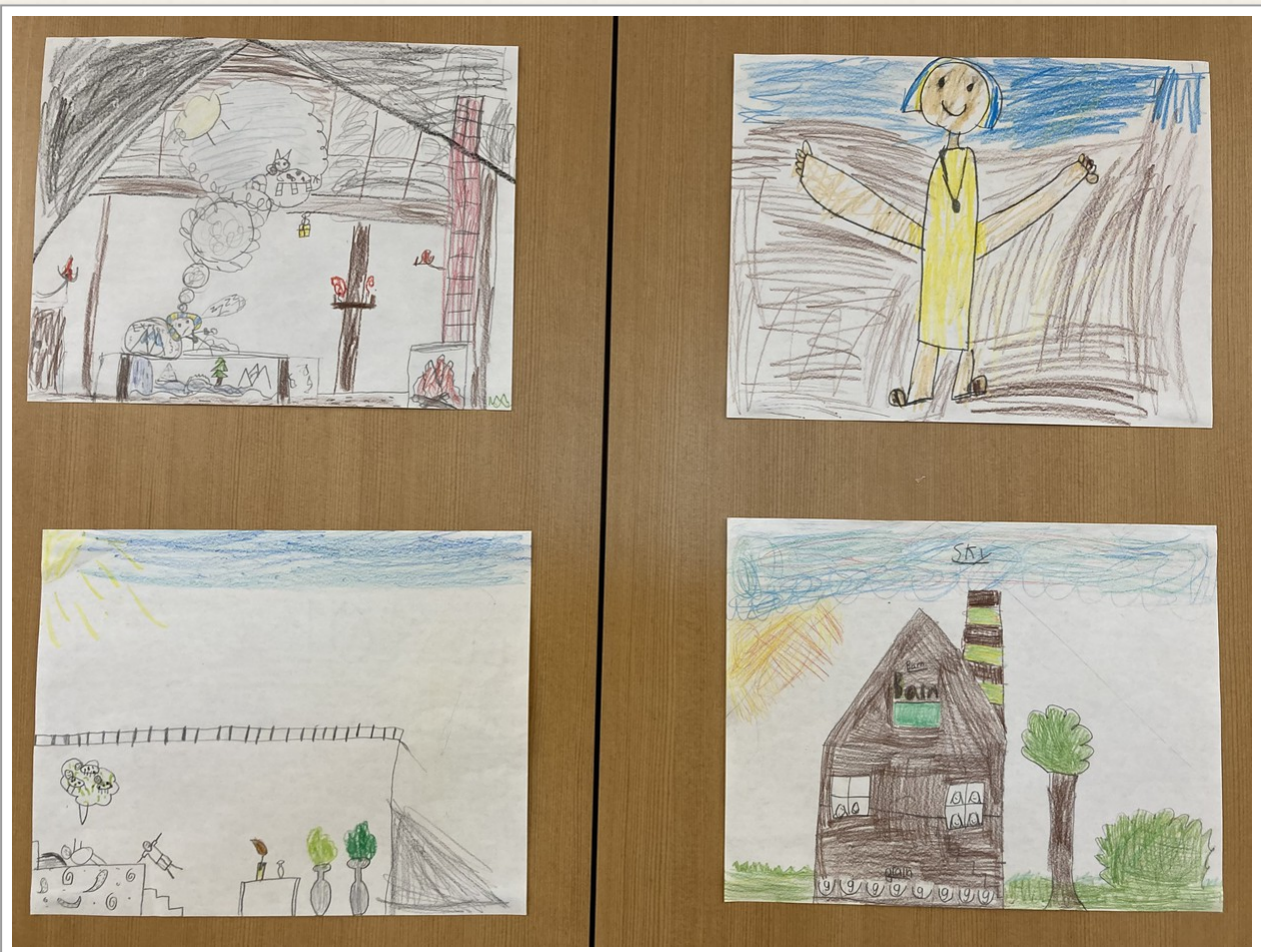
Mark your calendars!

Grades K-8 will be singing with the CLHS Exaltation Choir on Sunday, January 23 at 8:00 and 10:30. Each child only needs to attend one service, but they are welcome to attend both. This is a great opportunity for the children of our school to sing with our high school choir.



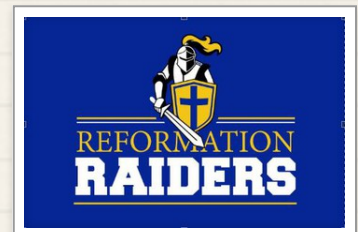
Update from Mr. Matz's classroom

Hello from Second Grade. It is hard to believe we are about halfway through the school year. It has gone by so fast. Now that we have returned from Christmas break, we are getting back into the swing of things. In Bible class, we had finished the story of Joseph during December and started the story of Moses. We are picking up where we left off and have learned about the plagues and the Passover. In our reading block hour, we are learning more about the Superkids and new friends that they are meeting. To get back into our rhythm, we have done some carpet reading of interesting articles from the SUPER magazine. We are getting ready to do our very first book report for this year. In our math class, we are moving on to double-digit addition and more practice with reading clocks. In science, we have wrapped up our unit about living things and animal habitats. In Social Studies, we are learning about different inventors and pioneers. This week we have been looking at the Wright Brothers and how they changed travel.



Sports Update

The Reformation Boys' and Girls' basketball teams have been practicing for over a month, and they are now ready to begin the basketball season with their first games on January 14. Thank you so much to the coaches Pastor Birkholz, Mr. Matz, Mr. Mangini, Mrs. Rodrigues, and Mr. Ross! They have been so dedicated to coaching our players about the fundamentals of basketball, Christian sportsmanship, and team leadership! God bless their efforts this basketball season! Go Raiders!



Michael Ash, Athletic Director

Below is the basketball schedule we have so far:

WELS League Game Schedule

Friday, January 14 @ Reformation-Girls's game vs. Shepherd of the Hills at 2:00 P.M.

Friday, January 14 @ Reformation-Girls' game vs. Concord Christian at 4:00 P.M.

Friday, January 14 @ Reformation-Boys' game vs. Shepherd of the Hills at 5:00 P.M.

Friday, January 21 @ CLHS-Boys' game vs. Carlsbad at 1:00 P.M.

Friday, January 21 @ CLHS-Girls' game vs. Shepherd of the Hills at 2:00 P.M.

Friday, January 21 @ CLHS-Girls' game vs. Concord Christian at 3:00 P.M.

Friday, January 21 @ CLHS-Boys' game vs. Concord Christian at 4:00 P.M.

Reformation Basketball Tournament Schedule February 4-6, 2022

Friday, February 4 @ St. Paul's--Girls' game vs. St. Paul's at 5:00 P.M.

Friday, February 4 @ Reformation--Boys' game vs. Concord Christian at 6:00 P.M.

Saturday, February 5 @ Reformation--Girls' game vs. Redeemer at 9:00 A.M.

Saturday, February 5 @ Reformation--Girls' game vs. Concord Christian at 12:00 P.M.

Saturday, February 5 @ St. Paul's--Boys' game vs. Bundy Canyon Christian at 1:00 P.M.

Saturday, February 5 @ Reformation--Boys' game vs. Shepherd of the Hills at 3:00 P.M.

Sunday, February 6 @ Reformation--Tournament Finals starting at 12:00 P.M. Games TBD

CLHS Basketball Tournament February 18-20, 2022

Games and times TBD

Bible Class for students in grades 5-8!

Mrs. Jessica Bohl has starting a new bible class for grades 5-8. This class will meet in the kindergarten room (room 6) from 9:30am to 10:15am and light snacks will be provided. We are looking forward to covering topical bible studies to help our students prepare to be the light in our broken world. See you there!

We are hiring! We need your help.

You can help us help you! Reformation Lutheran School is currently hiring (just like everyone else) for a few positions.

-Shepherd's Care Supervisor

-Preschool Classroom Aid

If you know of anyone who might have the time or qualifications, we would love to meet with them or spend some time talking with them about these open positions. Please refer anyone to principal@refsd.org. Thank you for helping us staff so that we can better serve the families of Reformation!

Ki's School Lunches – Order Today!

You can take a break from packing a lunchbox on Mondays and Thursdays 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 and cancel (when necessary) up to 8am the same day. Go to www.kisschoollunches.com



or <http://reformationschoolsd.org/school-information/schoollunch-options/> for additional details and to create your account to place an order. The Ki's website has detailed information on the "How it Works" page. Orders must be placed by noon the day prior to lunch service. You can place orders for the entire month now.

There is an opportunity to volunteer to help with Ki's lunches distribution. Lunches are delivered to us shortly before lunchtime and volunteers distribute lunches to the students. Can you help with this? The time commitment is 11:30am-12:45pm on either Monday OR Thursday. We are asking for one adult volunteer for each day. Can you help? Contact Sarah Rodrigues at rodriguess@refsd.org or (858) 279-3311, ext. 1.

Reformation Family Calendar

January

17 Campus Closed - No Grade School, Preschool or Shepherd's Care - MLK Day



February

4 Early Release - Reformation Basketball Tournament

12 Men's Bible Study with Mike Ross at 9:00am

18 No Grade School - CLHS Basketball Tournament

21 Campus Closed - No Grade School, Preschool or Shepherd's Care - Presidents Day

March

4 Campus Closed - No Grade School, Preschool or Shepherd's Care - Teacher's Conference

12 Men's Bible Study with Mike Ross at 9:00am

28-31 No Grade School - Spring Break (Preschool in session)

April

1 No Grade School - Spring Break (Preschool in session)

18 Campus Closed - No Grade School, Preschool or Shepherd's Care - Easter Monday

Worship Service - Sundays at 8:00am & 10:30am

Kids4Christ - Sundays at 9:30am

Foundations 101 - Sundays at 9:30 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/>).



*We have this hope
as an anchor
for the soul,
firm and secure.
Hebrews 6:19*



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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