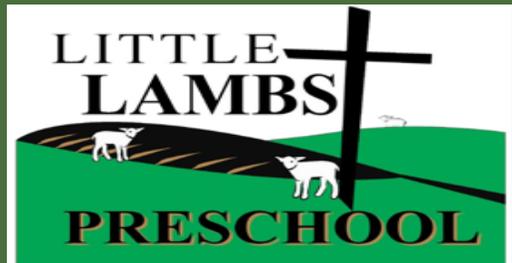




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Upcoming School Events

Sunday, April 28

Worship Services 8:00, 10:30 AM
Sunday School 9:15 AM

Mon-Fri April 29-May 3

MAP Testing Grades K-8

Monday, April 29

Children's Choir 3:15 PM
Mid-quarter Report Cards

Wednesday, May 1

Individual Band Lessons
Band Rehearsal 3:00-3:45 PM

Friday, May 3

Chapel - 8:05 AM
Mission Offering
School T-Shirt Day

Sunday, May 5

Worship Services 8:00, 10:30 AM
Sunday School 9:15 AM

Monday, May 6

Track Meet Gr. 5-8 - All Day

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**MAP Testing
Grades K-8
April 29 - May 3**

2

**All Day Track Meet
Gr. 5-8
Monday, May 6**

3

**Children's Choir Musical
Performances
May 10 & May 12**



General School Updates

Standardized Testing (MAP Testing) April 29- May 3

This next week of school our students in grades K-8 will be taking their final round of standardized tests or "MAP Tests". We continue to use the standardized testing system that we first started using last year. Each student in these grades will be taking Language, Math, and Reading tests this coming week as well as at two other points later on during this school year. These tests are all done online and results are available almost immediately. These tests allow us to monitor the academic growth of each student during the year and help our teachers adjust their instruction to meet the specific needs of all of our students. Parents are encouraged to make sure that their children are well rested and have a good breakfast each day this next week to help children focus and perform to the best of their ability on these tests. Please encourage your child to not feel any anxiety about the tests as the results don't have any bearing on their report cards or on any decisions about passing or failing or grade level. The main purpose of the tests is to help our teachers and school best serve each individual student with an effective education based on their specific needs!

All Day Track Meet Gr. 5-8 - May 6

As part of our Physical Education program, all 5-8th graders will be traveling to the annual Lutheran Grade School track meet in Sleepy Eye on Monday, May 6th. Students should bring along a lunch, snacks, and plenty of water or sports drinks to stay hydrated throughout the day. Sunscreen and layered clothing will also be helpful depending on the weather that day. Track spikes may be worn, but are not necessary. That morning we will need to leave school right away at 8 A.M. The field events begin at 9 A.M. and the running events begin at 10 A.M. The meet typically lasts all day. Last year we got back to school around 2:45 P.M. but it will always depend on how many students are participating from each school and in each event and how efficiently the meet runs.

Mid-quarter Report Cards

Believe it or not, but the final quarter of the school year is half over already! Mid-quarter report cards will be sent home this next week to update you on your child's progress. Please take a look at these and contact the teachers with any questions or concerns. May we find motivation in the love of Jesus to continue to serve Him faithfully in all of our work over the last half quarter of the year!

Little Lambs Preschool Updates

We had a fun short week. We completed our Twelve Eggs of Easter where we opened an egg for each Holy Week story and talked about what was inside that went with the story. We played with shaving cream and paint for our sensory activity. In math we are working on wrapping up our unit on Left and Right.

Theme: Nursery Rhymes

Bible Story: Jesus Helps Thomas Believe

Memory Treasure: 1Thessalonians 4:14 Jesus died and rose again.

No School April 18-23

Have a Blessed Easter!

K-2 Classroom Updates

The K-2 classroom is starting its alphabet countdown to the end of the school year. We are enjoying finding some fun ways to celebrate the end of the school year together as a class.

A is for animals: we watched the Decorah eaglets and the Milwaukee County Zoo lions, tigers and penguins.

B is for bubbles: we got out the bubbles for recess and also did an art project with bubbles.

C is for chalk and cookies: we enjoyed having birthday cake oreos and spent some time outside doing sidewalk chalk art.

D is for donuts!: we love having donuts as a fun snack in the morning.

3-5 Classroom Updates

Easter was a super time to rest up our bodies, do fun things with family and friends, and especially to worship Jesus at his resurrection! We had lots of opportunities to enjoy fellowship with our church families and to participate in worship services full of God's Word and special festive music. We all returned to school renewed, refreshed, and excited to serve Jesus with a new faithfulness.

Everybody had a great time at Research Paper Camp this last week. Our research papers are coming along well. What a fun way to learn all the skills--and then put them to work right away! Our hard work and new skills will be on display at the end of May.

This coming week we will do our last round of testing for this year. It's hard to believe it is going to be May this week already. The May calendar is full of fun and interesting things to do and learn. We're enjoying warmer weather and sunny skies as well.

6-8 Classroom Updates

Everyone seemed to enjoy their Easter break off of school! We enjoyed being able to come back off of break to a short, 3 day school week. We continued to finish up our research for our written report projects. The students are learning some interesting things about their chosen topics! This next week will begin to turn our note taking that we are doing into written paragraphs!

We started the novel, Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry by Mildred D. Taylor this week in reading class. This novel follows the Logan family - an African-American family living in Mississippi during the 1930's. During this time in our nation's history, life was very difficult for African American families who were often on the receiving end of some very difficult treatment due to racism. We reminded ourselves of the love that God has for all people of all backgrounds and skin colors. We want to be motivated by the love of Jesus to show love to people of all different backgrounds as well! May God help us do this!