

Parent Information

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Attendance

Absences

- If your child wakes up sick, call office or email me by 9 am.
- Pick up work that day. Work will be on your child's desk by the end of the day. If you would like it earlier, please let me know through email.
- Students will have 2 days for every day absent to complete their work.

Planned

Absences

- If possible, let me know if your child will be leaving early or missing any days of school.
- I will then be able to send assignments with your child ahead of time. This will help them not feel behind when they return.



You can email me at treida@holycrosslutheran.net

Tardy

- A letter from the office will be sent home after the 3rd tardy of a quarter.

Assignment Notebooks

I will pass these out to students on the first day of school.

- Sign every day.
- Check marked

assignment means it has been completed.

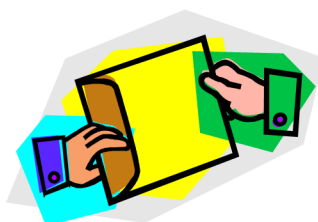
- Circled assignments are incom-

plete assignments and need to be completed as homework and returned the next day.

Take Home Folders

Take Home Folders will come home every Tuesday and Friday we are in school. If we do not have school on Friday, the folder will come home on the last day of the week.

In your folder you will find



"Mom, did you sign my Take Home Folder?"

the school newsletter or my Reida's Reader. You will also find field trip forms, project information, and your child's graded work. All papers are yours to keep unless other-

wise marked.

Important Reminder

Take Home Folders must also be signed each time and returned to school the next day.

Accelerated Reader Program

This program allows students, teachers, and parents to check comprehension on many different books. I ask that each student have at least one 3rd grade level Accelerated Reader book checked out from the library.

When a student is done reading their book, they can go to the computer and take a 10 question quiz over the story.

At the end of each quarter, I

will print out a report showing your child's progress.

Accelerated Reading Goals:

- 1st Quarter : No Goal
- 2nd Quarter: 10 points
- 3rd Quarter: 15 points
- 4th Quarter: 10 points



Book It Reports/ Reading Logs

During the months of October through March, students will be required to either:

1. Read a chapter book and write a book report each month.

2. Keep a Reading Log recording the minutes they have read until they meet their goal.

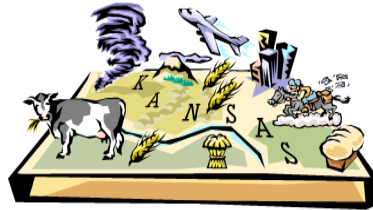


When the student completes the assignment, they will receive a certificate for one free personal pan pizza from Pizza Hut.

Kansas Report

In January, we celebrate Kansas Day. We will be learning different facts about Kansas each week throughout the first semester and recording them in a Kansas Book.

By November, the students will have researched all their facts needed to start



Example of a Kansas Float

writing their reports. We will be writing the final

copy in December.

They will then be ready in January to start working on

their miniature parade float or poster.

I will send home a letter before Christmas Break giving all the details needed for the float or poster project.

The report will be done in class and the project will be done at home.

Language Arts

Handwriting

We will begin cursive this year. We will begin writing assignments in cursive by the end of 2nd quarter.

Reading/English/Spelling/Writing

We will have 5 day units that incorporate Reading, English, Spelling, and Writing.

Assessments will be given



at the end of each unit. The Spelling tests will always fall on the last day of the week.

Please watch the newsletter for test dates and spelling words.

Religion and Memory Work

Chapel We have Chapel every Wednesday beginning at 8:20. Parents are always welcome to join us.

Memory Work I will listen to memory work every

Wednesday.

Books of the Bible During the 2nd quarter the Books of the Bible will replace memory verses.

Sexual Education A video



published by Concordia will be shown toward the end of the 4th quarter. A letter with more details will be sent home closer to the date.

Math

All lessons in the Saxon curriculum are cumulative. Each lesson builds on and reviews the previous lessons. The first Cumulative Test will be given after the 10th lesson. Students will continue to take Cumulative Tests after five les-



Practice those flash cards.

sons have been taught.

Please watch the newsletter to find the dates of the tests and what lessons they

will be covering.

Flash Cards Please use these at home as study time. 5-10 minutes every day is suggested. Start the school year practicing addition and subtraction facts. Students will be ready to work on multiplication flash cards by Christmas Break.

Science

We will be working with 3 units this year.

Unit C Earth Science:

Changes in the Earth's Surface; Materials of the Earth; The Sun, Planets, and Moon; Clouds and Storms.

Unit D Human Body: Staying Healthy

Students will be taking short quizzes in Science after each Chapter.



Unit B Physical Science: Matter and How it Changes; Forces, Machines, and Work; Energy in Your World; Sound

Social Studies

A study guide will be sent home the Friday before each test. You will find all study guides in the Take Home Folder and on the website. We will not test over each chapter. We will end the school year with the Historical Time Line. More information to come later in May.

Field Trips

October

Sedgwick County Zoo

May

Kansas

Cosmosphere in Hutchinson



Wichita Symphony

3-5 graders will travel by school bus twice during the school year.

Holy Cross Lutheran Church and School

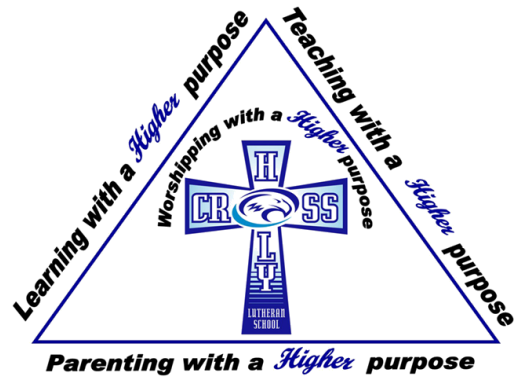
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We Have a Class Blog. Check it Out!

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Each week students will be updating our classroom blog with information from the week. They will give a review of what they learned in each subject area.

You will also find helpful websites that go along with what we are learning in class.

Upcoming Blog Posts:

- * Students work
- * Videos
- * Websites for parents and students



Parents,

I am very excited about this school year. We have many fun and exciting things planned. Feel free to get involved in the many different school activities during the year. There are events and activities for everyone. Please contact me at

Classroom Party Sign Ups

We're using VolunteerSpot (the leading online sign-up and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming activity.

Please sign up for Holy Cross 3rd Grade Classroom Party - here's how it works in 3 easy steps:

1. **Click this link** to go to our invitation page on VolunteerSpot: <http://vols.pt/FEqVm6>
2. **Enter your email address:** (You will NOT need to register an account on VolunteerSpot)
3. **Sign up!** Choose your spots - VolunteerSpot will send you an automated confirmation and reminders. Easy!

Note: VolunteerSpot does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

any time if you have any questions or concerns. The best way to contact me during the day is by email. I can check my emails much more often.

Working together in Christ,

Tracie Reida