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# *St. Mark's Messenger*

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## Calendar

### October

- 1 – Outdoor Movie Night – Starts at Dusk
- 3 – Worship 8:00am, 10:30am, and 6:00pm
- 5 – Runners Club – 4:15pm
- 6 – Chapel: Mr. Kollmorgen
- 7 – Runners Club – 4:15pm  
Volleyball Practice 3:15 – 4:15pm
- 8 – Walk-A-Thon

### Coming Up...

- 15 – End of Quarter 1 – Noon Dismissal  
NO PM Preschool or Aftercare
- 21 & 22 – Picture Days!



**'21-'22 Theme:**

***Not of This World!***

Romans 12:2

## Walk-A-Thon

It is time for the annual Walk-A-Thon! Students have received the information for this fun event – including the prize schedule.

Some of the more popular prizes include: silly stringing the principal, popping a water balloon on a favorite teacher's head, lunch with the principal, and more!

Donations may be made online by clicking the "Pay or Donate to the School" button at the bottom of each of our website pages.

## Save the Date

**11/11/21**

"Salute to America" is our Fall Musical which will be held on Thursday, November 11th. All students from Pre4 through 8th grade will be participating in this Veterans Day event. Please mark your calendar and reserve that date to honor our veterans and our wonderful country!

## Sew Much?

Are you a seamstress or are able to sew? Mrs. Kollmorgen is looking for a few volunteers who can make a few costumes/props for our "Salute to America" musical in November. Please email her at [rkollmorgen@stmarksmilford.org](mailto:rkollmorgen@stmarksmilford.org) if you can help - it would be Sew Helpful!

*New Messenger Feature!*

# ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

We are proud of our graduates from St. Mark's school! Hear what some of our former St. Mark's graduates have said about their time here, and how attending school here has shaped their lives.



Meet **Amanda Poynter**. Amanda graduated from St. Mark's in 2017. She started at St. Mark's school as a 6th grader when she moved to Ohio from Illinois.

***Q. What Did You Love Most about St. Mark's?***

A. I loved St. Marks because I was able to know everyone. Not only were classes small but the one-on-one experience with the teachers was great. I loved that I became super close with some of my fellow classmates and are still friends to this day.

***Q. What Did You Appreciate about St. Mark's?***

A. I appreciate St. Marks because it allowed me to grow in my faith and attend chapel and confirmation weekly. I was also able to mentor younger children because of chapel families and I still say hi to my buddies when I'm at the school.

***Q. Where Did You Go to High School?***

A. I attended Miami Valley Christian Academy for High School

***Q. What Are You Doing Now?***

A. I am currently attending Concordia University Chicago in pursuit of a dual degree as a Director of Christian Education and Elementary Education.

## **We Need Substitutes!**

St. Mark's school is in need of substitute teachers. If you know someone – or if you are someone – who may be able to serve, please send your resume and/or contact information with qualifications and availability to Mr. Kollmorgen's email: [principal@stmarksmilford.org](mailto:principal@stmarksmilford.org)

# St. Mark's Walk-A-Thon

Friday, October 8, 2021

Rain Date: Monday, October 11

## Dear Friend of St. Mark's Lutheran School:

The staff of St. Mark's has listed a few things that the school needs to better serve our students. As all of you know, resources are very important for improving our academic achievement, improving the student morale, and contributing to the over-all success of each student in our school.

## We need your help!

Last year, we raised over \$5000! **This year, our goal is to raise \$6,000** from school families, friends, and the community for the many resources needed at St. Mark's. **If every student turns in donations totaling \$45 we will reach our goal.**

## What was purchased with Walk-A-Thon money last year?

- ✓ Supplemental Software
- ✓ AR library books
- ✓ Club supplies
- ✓ Spanish Language program (Pre K – 8<sup>th</sup> - a need every year)
- ✓ Recess Equipment

## What resources are on the dream list?

- STEM learning supplies (we always need these!)
- Club fees and supplies (we have over 10 clubs!) - (grades 1-8)
- Safety Equipment for our building (an ongoing process)
- A hydroponics system for 5&6 classroom
- Playground repairs and upgrades

## Who do I ask for donations?

- Relatives such as: Grandparents, Great Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Siblings
- Neighbors
- Church Friends
- Facebook Friends
- Business Owners
- Anyone who supports Christian Education!

***Take Advantage of ONLINE DONATIONS!***  
***(You aren't limited to local people anymore!)***

## **Dates to Remember:**

Friday, Oct. 8 Donation Sheets Turned In

### **Walk-a-Thon!**

Tuesday, Oct. 12 Money turned in to be eligible for prizes

Wed., Oct. 20 Prize winners announced after Chapel

## **Schedule for Walk-A-Thon**

### **Friday, October 8: (Rain Date is Monday, Oct. 11)**

**10:30 AM – 11:15 AM**

**Kindergarten and Preschool AM**

**1:00 PM – 2:00 PM**

**Grades 1-4**

**2:00 PM – 3:00 PM**

**Grades 5-8**

**Donations may be Cash or Check** (payable to: St. Mark's Lutheran School).

**Donations are also accepted ONLINE!** This means that your family and friends that are miles away can still support you – without physically handing you money! Go to our website: [stmarksmilford.org](http://stmarksmilford.org). Click on “School” and scroll down to the “Pay or Donate to the School” button. Click that button and you will see the Walk-A-Thon fund. Enter the dollar amount you wish to donate, then click the “Frequency” box for “One Time”. Click “Continue” and fill in the information – on the “Address 2”, the person donating **MUST** enter the student's first and last name – this will ensure that the student gets proper prize credit for the donation. Fill in the rest of the information (if using a credit card, consider offsetting the processing fee), click “Process” and the donation is done!

Thank you for your continued support of our school!

In His Service,

Tim Kollmorgen

Principal

St. Mark's Lutheran School

# Walk-a-Thon Prizes!

Preschool to Eighth Grade Prize Levels

When a level is reached you will receive the corresponding prize as well as all the previous prize levels!

## **\$25 GET STARTED – Ice Cream!**

Donate/raise \$25 and receive an Ice Cream or Popsicle Treat on the day of the Walk-a-Thon



## **\$50 Preschool – Bring a (stuffed) Friend!**

Donate/raise \$50 or more and you get to bring your favorite stuffed animal to school for the day!

## **\$50 K-8 – Homework Pass**

Donate/raise \$50 or more and you will receive a day off homework in one class!

## **\$100 Preschool – A Book from Scholastic!**

Donate/raise \$100 and you will get to pick a book from Scholastic (up to \$10 value)!

## **\$100 K-8 – Water Balloon Soak**

Donate/raise \$100 and you will get to pop a water balloon over the head of one of the staff members!

## **\$125 Silly String the Principal**

Donate/raise \$125 or more and you will get to use a whole can of silly string on the principal!



## **\$175 Dress Down Days**

Donate/raise \$175 or more and you will receive 2 Dress Down Day Passes!

## **\$200 Lunch with the Principal**

Donate/raise \$200 or more and you will get to go out to lunch with the principal!

## **Top Producer Shopping Spree**

Donate/raise the most money in the school to receive a \$50 gift card to Amazon or the store of your choice!



## **A Day with the Principal!**

*Each Class* that raises an average of \$200 per student will have a fun day with Mr. Kollmorgen

To Be Eligible For Prizes:

Donations (\$\$) are due October 12th by the end of school

# Classroom Happenings

## Mrs. Newell (3 Year Old Preschool)

This week, the 3yr olds are learning about the letter A. On Friday, they will have homemade applesauce during snack (made by one of their teachers).

## Mrs. Rehmer (4 Year Old Preschool)

Mrs. Rehmer's Flight Crew finished *All About Me* theme week by wrapping up their *All About Me* books, made proud to "Bee" me footprint bee's, and charted the differences in each of us. We had fun with the letter B. Our Bible story this week was our favorite one yet. We learned how God remembers us and cares for us, just like He did with Noah, his family and the animals during the flood. Genesis 6:11- 8:22

## Mrs. Sherman (Kindergarten)

In Bible time, we heard the account of the birth of Isaac. Sometimes, it is difficult to wait but God helps us patiently trust in His Word. During reading, we read about community helpers. We talked about the meaning of community and made a chart of jobs and workers. We identified beginning sounds and verbs. In math, we classified objects by attributes.

## Mrs. Boerboom (1<sup>st</sup> Grade)

First grade had a full week! We finished up our math unit on addition. In reading, we read the story "Lucia's Neighborhood" and talked about how each of us have a neighborhood that we belong to that is just right for us. We learned about states of matter in science and identified solids, liquids, and gases in our classroom. We continued to work on memorizing the Apostle's Creed.

## Mrs. Reynolds (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)

This week we are learning about the bad choices the Israelites made when they were on their way to the Promised Land. For example, worshipping a golden calf while Moses was talking with God and receiving the Ten Commandments. In Math, we are starting Module 3 and learning how to use graphs to organize data. In Science, we are learning about how animals grow. We are specifically looking at the life cycles of frogs and ducks. In Reading, we are also learning about animals and how they build their homes.

## Mrs. Dowd (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)

In Religion, we learned how we are like a plant. We grow our faith by attending church, reading the Bible, and talking to God through our prayers. In Reading, we will read the story "Bat Loves the Night". We will focus on different types of verbs and how we use them in our writing. In Math, we are beginning to learn the multiples of 4 and starting our next unit on multiplication and division. In Science, we will explore the planet, Venus and its characteristics. In Social Studies, we wrapped up our Community Unit and figured out how to find a solution for a problem in our community.

## Miss Rhonemus (4<sup>th</sup> Grade)

This week in religion, we learned about Sodom and Gomorrah and how just like Lot, whom was spared from the destruction, we too will be saved from eternal damnation. In reading, we are learning about biographies and reading a short Helen Keller biography. Students also reviewed the last five weeks of spelling words. In science we learned about the phases of the moons. Students also continued to work on narrative writing.

## Mr. Postenrieder, Mrs. Kiehl, and Mr. Kollmorgen (5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grades)

In our Bible time, we continued our study of how to handle conflict. In 5<sup>th</sup> math we worked division and enjoyed our 2<sup>nd</sup> test. In Saxon Level 1 math we worked with the number line, fractions, mixed numbers, average, line graphs, factors, prime numbers, and greatest common factors. We took our 3<sup>rd</sup> test part 1. Saxon Level 3 is working with decimals, while Algebra 1 is adding like terms. In Social Studies we began researching a state to present a power point. 7&8 History students continued their study of ancient Rome – and built aqueducts! Students in 5/6 Science, learned about measurement and math that is used in science. This included studying SI units, significant figures, and percent error. 7/8 Science students wrapped up Chapter 3 by learning about comets and asteroids and then began work on planet presentations. In 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade PE, we continued our unit on golf.

## Assess Symptoms Daily!

**If your child doesn't feel well, please keep him/her home!**

One of the main ways to limit the spread of the virus is to check for symptoms daily – of course we take temperatures at the door each morning, but you can help by making sure that your son or daughter does not have any of the following symptoms:

Fever or chills	Cough	Diarrhea	Nausea or vomiting
Fatigue	Sore throat	Headache	Loss of taste or smell
Congestion or runny nose		Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing	
Repeated shaking with chills		Muscle or body aches	