

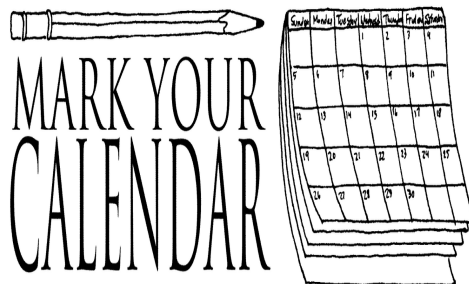
DoveTales/ eTales

Holy Ghost Lutheran School
731-3030 / 731-9449



January 2, 2017
Wheatfield, NY 14304

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January

2- Classes resume

12- PTL Movie Night and Meeting 6p

15- No School - Martin Luther King Jr. Day

21- NLSW Worship at HG 9a- *all students*

21-26- National Lutheran Schools Week events

Chapel this week- Wednesday at 9:15a - join us!

Leader - Pastor Haeussler - **Mission** - LHM Virtual Field Trip

Happy New Year - the HG staff wishes all of our families a blessed New Year!

Bills make playoffs! - an event that our students have never witnessed - a Bills game in January- will be celebrated this Friday - students may dress down and wear Bills gear and jeans for \$1 this Friday! Go Bills!

Registration for 2018-2019

HG will be sending out re-enrollment information for the 2018-2019 school year next week on Tuesday - look for the paperwork which will include the registration form and the tuition schedule. HG offers a discount on the Registration Fee if all necessary paperwork and fees are paid by Thursday, February 15th.

Readers Theater

Save the date - on Thursday, February 15th, our HG students will be presenting a Readers Theater telling the story of our country's history. Join us as each class, from K-8, will represent a piece of America's timeline.

NLSW Worship- Sunday, January 21st at 9:00a

All HG students and families are asked to join us for worship on Sunday, January 21st as we celebrate our Lutheran School- and all Lutheran schools world-wide - this is a time when students can be active leading worship and participating along with the congregation that supports our school.

Upcoming Dates - mark your calendars for these significant dates and look for more in future DoveTales...

1/21 - Lutheran Schools Sunday - worship at HG at 9:00a - students will be singing and leading worship

1/23 - Open House - first one of the season targeting PreK and kindergarten - see Mr. G to volunteer to help at this event - spread the word to family and friends.

Bison Fund - Happy New Year!!! As we welcome 2018 we are accepting Pre-Applications for funding for the 2018-2019 school year. Families should apply on-line through our web-site at

<http://bisonfund.com/our-scholarships> The Pre-Application will only be available electronically again this year. The Pre-Application is only for families **new** to BISON. Our deadline is February 28, 2018.

Current families will be e-mailed a link to complete the requalification process starting on February 15, 2018. The families will log into the scholarship database and upload their financial information. As a reminder the deadline for that paperwork is April 13, 2018. If you have any questions please call 854-0869 ext.1.

Inclement Weather- School Closings

In the event that school must be closed due to inclement weather, the teachers will use the Remind text service to directly communicate to families - be sure that parents or any other care of the student are registered under the homeroom teacher's Remind group - HG will also post school closings on TV - channel 2, 4, & 7 - and on the radio- WBEN 930AM.



**St. Jude Children's
Research Hospital**

ALSAC • Danny Thomas, Founder

St. Jude Mathathon donations are due this week, Friday, January 5th. Students can turn packets into classroom teachers. Thank you very much for participating. God bless.

LUNCH MENU *for the week*



Hot lunch menu -

Monday- No School. Happy New Year!

Tuesday- Chicken Nuggets/Fries/Fruit

Wednesday- Spaghetti Taco/Salad

Thursday- Homemade Chicken Soup/Grilled Cheese

Friday - Pizza/Salad/Carrot Stix/Ice Cream

**Ice Cream sold on Tuesday and Thursday

PTL

Please watch our **Facebook Page: Holy Ghost Lutheran School & PTL**

You can also email the PTL at: Holyghostptl@gmail.com

Happy New Year everyone!! Thanks to all who helped us throw an amazing Christmas Luncheon the last day before vacation. It was a fun morning.

Next Up: Election night/Movie night. January 12 th we will be starting at 6pm. We will hold elections for the open positions this night, watch for the list of candidates that are in the running to be emailed out on Monday, January 8 th . If you are in need of an absentee ballot, please email your request to: Holyghostptl@gmail.com

Family Dance: will be Friday, January 26 th . 1 st grade class is designated host of this event. Planning of food & decoration help is needed by all 1 st grade families. The theme picked is MEXICAN FIESTA!!

Preschool

PreK 3- Happy New Year! We want to thank everyone for their contributions to our Christmas brunch that we had before break. The boys and girls did an excellent job at chapel and we are very proud of them. We continue the Christmas story during Jesus time when we hear about the kings who followed the star. Our letter learning this week is "Nn" for Name, Nest, Night, and Noodle. God's blessings to your family in this new year!

Mrs. Denise Coble

PreK 4- Welcome back and here's to a new year filled with MORE fun and learning! Our Bible story continues with the birth of Jesus and the appearance of the Three Wise Men. There is no Letter of the Week. We will revisit numbers and letters we have learned to date and visit our last country with regards to Christmas Around the World. We will spend Friday in Puerto Rico to celebrate the Epiphany.

Happy New Year,
Mrs. Crawford

Kindergarten

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! I hope that everyone had a wonderful and relaxing vacation. I also want to thank everyone for all the wonderful gifts that were given to me for Christmas. I truly am blessed to have such a wonderful class this year. We are back into full swing this week. We will be starting a new spelling unit this week, the “an” family. This will be the last of our short a word families. In math this week we are going to be finishing up the numbers to 20 and moving right into numbers through 100. We will not be having a unit test on the numbers to 20.

Spelling Words for this week: can, fan, tan, ran, me

Memory Verse for this week: “*Shine as lights in the world, holding fast to the word of life.*” Philippians 2: 15-16

If you have any questions, don’t hesitate to contact me anytime at jodi.meissnerhg@gmail.com or via Remind
God’s Blessings,

Mrs. Meissner

This week’s Kindergarten Schedule:

Monday - NO SCHOOL

Tuesday - Gym Class / Art Class

Wednesday - Chapel

Thursday - Gym Class

Friday- Spelling Test/Memory Test/ Sight Word Testing/ Fun Friday

Grade 1

Welcome back and Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a very blessed Christmas. This week we will not have a new spelling unit. We will be working in our reading groups and doing Daily 5. We will also be doing some writing activities. In math we will be starting Topic 5, Addition Facts to 20. In Social we will be reviewing for our Chapter test. The study guide came home today. In Science we will be learning about what helps animals live in their habitats. In Religious we will hear the story about Simeon and Anna. The children will be tested on their memory verse on Friday. Please help them study their verse. New reading logs are going home today as well as a new writing activity.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at belinda.stenzel@gmail.com or via Remind.

Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Stenzel

Grade 2

Happy New Year and welcome back! In Religion this week, we will learn about the visit of the Wise Men and the Flight to Egypt. Memory verses will be recited on Wednesday and Friday. Please join us for Chapel on **Wednesday**, starting at 9:15am. Remember your offerings. Our spelling unit this week is the **long a sound spelled a-consonant-e, ai, or ay**. Practice test on Wednesday, final test on Friday. We will be assessing reading levels this week. Please continue to read and reflect each night in your reading log. In Math, we will finish up Topic 6, and move into Topic 7, Mental Subtraction. On www.ixl.com, please choose a 2nd grade skill to complete this week. Please go to www.xtramath.org to master your addition and subtraction. In Science, we will be looking at the night sky and the solar system. In Social, we will learn why people settle

where they do. What did you taste for Tasting Tuesday over the Christmas break?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at carriergail@gmail.com or through Remind so we can have a successful year!

On Thursday, January 4, the Second Grade will be having a Toy Day. Please refer to the note coming home today.

Yours in Christ,

Mrs. Carrier

Monday - Happy New Year!

Tuesday - Gym

Wednesday - Chapel & Offering; Memory verse; Math due; Practice spelling test

Thursday - Gym; Scholastic News due

Friday- Memory verse; Final spelling test; Math due

Grade 3

Welcome back to school! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas. This week students will begin a new Journeys story, The Kamishibai Man. In grammar students will be learning about abstract nouns. In writing, students will finish their stories about Amos and Boris that they started before Christmas. I will be benchmark testing students on their reading level this week. Students will receive a new reading log today. It will be due Friday, January 5, 2018. There is no Spelling Unit this week. In math, we will continue with Chapter 6 on multiplication facts. Students will not be receiving a multiplication packet this week. We will be reviewing the 9's, 0's and 1's multiplication facts. They will receive their next multiplication packet next week. In Social Studies, students will be learning about different communities through time. In Science, students will be learning about energy. In Religion, we will be learning about Jesus as True Man. There is no memory assignment this week.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at school, via remind or email me at mgilgore@gmail.com.

Yours in Christ,

Ms. Gilgore

Grade 4

Happy New Year! Welcome back to school. I hope all of you had a wonderful Christmas vacation.

ELA: Our spelling is unit 15, which works with silent and complex consonant sounds. The homework chart due dates have been adjusted because of the 4-day week. The test will be on Monday, Jan. 8. In grammar we are learning about pronouns-subject, object, reflexive, demonstrative, and antecedent agreement. We will be reading a biography in Journeys entitled "Jose, Born to Dance". The skill practiced will be similes and metaphors.

Math: We will be starting Topic 6. The students will be multiplying 1 digit by 2 digit numbers. There will be two strategies taught: the expanded algorithm, which is where the students show the two partial products and then add them together for the final product, and the standard algorithm, which is what parents are more familiar with. It is the regular way to multiply with regrouping (or parents may have learned it as carrying). The IXL homework is D5. Please do a minimum of 20 problems. It is due by Saturday, Jan. 6

Religion: We will be studying the story of Epiphany, when the wisemen visited the baby Jesus. We will also learn about when Mary and Joseph took baby Jesus to the temple. There will be one memory verse on Friday.

Social Sciences: In Social Studies, we will be learning about the Iroquois Confederacy. In Science, we are starting a chapter called "Heat".

In Christ, Mrs. Woodley

Grade 5

My Goals

1. 2. 3.

Things I can do to reach my goals

1. 2. 3.

Welcome back to all! Students will be working on thinking about some academic goals they wish to achieve and then they will complete a Goal Sheet. These visual Goal Sheets will be placed in their binders and the students can reflect on them as we continue through this school year. Fifth Grade Daily Homework- All homework assignments, test announcements, Spelling Lists, specific chapters to read for our current novel, Friday's Memory - are written in the student's Agendas daily.

Blessings - Mrs. Gildersleeve - margogilder@gmail.com

Math: Math 5 students also are required to complete 30 minutes of IXL per week.

They can choose any topic they wish, but Topic GG will help your child stay fresh with making and creating line plots. This will greatly benefit your child in the future and in their math ability, and can be done at home or in school. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Hoerner at krhoerner3@gmail.com. Thank you!

Middle School

Math 6: Welcome back, and Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a very restful and blessed break. In math 6 this week we will be talking about ratios. This is topic Rachel on IXL. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Hoerner at krhoerner3@gmail.com. Thank you!

Math 7: Happy New Year! Students will continue chapter 5 content this week, which will review working with percents, fractions, and decimals interchangeably

Math 8: Happy New Year! We are taking some time to review our algebra basics as the class is struggling to demonstrate proficiency in isolating variables. This is an important skill in our work with equations that must be mastered.

Alg 1: Happy New Year! Students will continue to work with functions written in different forms.

Any questions for Mr. Gundell regarding middle school math?? Email - hg.principal@outlook.com

Earth Science: This week in Earth Science we will be discussing the scientific method. We will be having a brief quiz on the scientific method this Friday. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Hoerner at krhoerner3@gmail.com. Thank you!

Life Science: This week in life science we will be discussing the scientific method. We will be having a brief test on the scientific method this Friday. If you have any questions please email Mrs. Hoerner at krhoerner3@gmail.com. Thank you!

Mr. Meissner

Middle School ELA:

There will NOT be spelling and vocabulary quizzes this week. Spelling pretest on Wednesday and final spelling and vocabulary tests on Friday.

8ELA: Begin reading To Kill a Mockingbird. Make sure to write responses in your journals. Students will have

a five paragraph expository essay explaining how African Americans were treated during the 1930s. Be sure to include Jim Crow Laws and the Powell vs Alabama court case.

7ELA: Begin reading *The Giver*. Students will type a five paragraph essay on the difference between *The Giver's* society and our own. Pick three major differences between our society and the *Giver's* from chapters 1-4.

6ELA: We are reading short Historical Fiction dramas in class. Students will have new grammar lessons this week. There will be a grammar test from lessons 11-20.

6SS: They will begin outlining and copying vocab as well as section reviews from Chapter 6. There will be a chapter 6 test next week Thursday. Notebooks are due as well.

7-8SS: Students will continue their notebooks for chapter 11. There will be a chapter 11 test next week Thursday. Notebooks are due as well.

Specific assignments and lesson plans have been shared with students via Google Classroom.

If you ever have a question regarding an assignment or want an update as to how your child is doing. Don't hesitvery ate to contact me at mr.meiss@gmail.com. or by cell: 478-2018

Spanish 7: I hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday and that all my students spent some time reflecting on the importance of CHRISTmas. This week we will finish our study of adjectives. There is a test scheduled for Friday, January 5th on Chapters 1-8 in *Spanish is Fun*, with an emphasis on adjectives. Also, extra credit is due January 4th and is worth 40 extra points. Please feel free to contact me at blonderasch@aol.com. Thank you!

Spanish 8: Welcome back - I hope that all my students had a very relaxing and blessed holiday season. This week we will begin Chapter 12 in *Spanish is Fun*. We will study holidays, months and dates in Spanish. This should be a very easy chapter for all. Only a few more weeks until I start to conduct the majority of our class in Spanish and look for students to begin to practice using Spanish orally. Please contact me at blonderasch@aol.com if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you!

ART

Kindergarten - Paper Glass

Grades 1 & 2 - Color Wheel

Grades 3 & 4 - Color Wheel

Grade 5 - Fleece Hat

Grades 6-8 Self Portrait in the style of Edvard Munch

Mrs. Crawford

Music

SKIP Choir- We will be preparing for Lutheran Schools Sunday.

"Sing to the Lord!" Mrs. Woodley

Instrumental Music Lessons- Mr. Maloney will be giving lessons on Thursdays during school operation.

PIANO: Be sure you are signed up to receive important updates. Text @mrsforsey to 81010.

Sports

All sports season schedules are posted online at: www.holyghostlcms.org

- enter the school site and find the Sports Calendar link in the left side-bar

Return Cleaned Soccer Jerseys to Mr. Meissner ASAP. Thanks.

Basketball Practices @ St. James.

Varsity Girls practice Tuesday and Thursday from 3:00-4:30.

JV Girls practice Tuesday and Thursday @ 4:30-5:30.

JV Boys practice Tuesday and Thursday @ 5:30-6:30.

Varsity Boys practice Tuesday and Thursday @ 6:30-7:30.

Please pick up your child promptly to help out the coaches. Don't drop off your children too early. Please keep them under your supervision until their coach arrives. We don't want them running around St. James unsupervised. Thanks.

Games:

January 5th Varsity Basketball

Holy Ghost vs. St. John @ St. John: Girls @ 4:00; Boys @ 5:00

January 6th JV Basketball

Holy Ghost vs. Catholic Academy @ St. James: Girls @ 1:00; Boys @ 2:00

Make sure to pay the \$40 fee, sign and turn in the sports pledge and fill out and turn in the medical form. Players will NOT be allowed to play with any of these that are missing.

Sports Eligibility: Any student wishing to participate must have a cumulative C average and no Fs. If this requirement is not met, the student will be suspended from play for a one week minimum, and lasting until the teacher(s) from the class(es) give their approval based on an improvement in their grade.

Cheerleading: Sparks will be having Cheer practice this Wednesday 3-4:30pm. They will be cheering at St. James this Saturday at 2pm. Please remember to check your TeamSnap for practice and game times.

Flames will be having a short practice on Wednesday and will be cheering for their first game on Wednesday as well. We will practice till 3:45 at Holy Ghost, then move over to St. James for a 4pm basketball game. Please make sure that you have everything you need for your uniform. Don't forget to check your TeamSnap for practice and game times.

Please contact Mr. Meissner with any problems or concerns. mrmeiss@gmail.com - 478-2018.

HG Extras

Food Pantry- We are collecting canned goods and non-perishables to donate to local food pantries. This an ongoing project, so please feel free to drop off items in front of Mrs. Gildersleeve's room or the office. Thanks for your generosity.

Campbell's Labels/Box Tops for Education:

We are still collecting Box Tops and Campbell's labels. Please continue to send them in. You can also go online to www.BoxTops4Education.com for additional bonus points for our school. Thanks for your support!

Tops- Sign up online and use your Bonus Card to earn money for our school.

