**NEWS** for the week of March 22, 2021

| Prayer Requests | • During the season of Lent, you are invited to join us in praying for families of students and staff of our school and childcare. A calendar was sent home with the names of each family. Here are the families we are praying for this week:  
  ○ Mon.: Zac Trost; Faith & Hope Laleman; Miss Abby Talaski  
  ○ Tues.: Cole, Brinley, & Carter Walsh; Adalynn & Becken Sweeney; Mrs. Keim  
  ○ Wed.: Ian & Ethan Wiederhold; Cross CEA & School Board  
  ○ Thurs.: Ethan & Allison Yackle; Cross Early Childcare Board & Church Council  
  ○ Fri.: Jonah & Lily Yackle; Vincent Bowers; Ms. Karen Kunisch |
| Childcare Center & School | • **Wed., Mar. 25**- Chapel, 8:15 a.m.  
  • Chapel offerings this month will be used to support Global Barnyard. Throughout the year, offerings will also support the education of Berlina, a teenage girl in Haiti.  
  • **Wed., April 7**- Open House (by appointment) for incoming Preschool, DK, and Kindergarten or older students that will be new to the school next year; To schedule an appointment visit the school website and click on the Open House Sign-up link. |
| DK-8 | • **Early Registration** is open for Preschool-8th grade for the 2021-2022 school year! Register before May 1 in order to receive the 2020-2021 tuition rate. (New tuition rates will go into effect on May 1). To be considered registered, you must return the enrollment forms and pay the registration fee of $50 per child.  
  • **March is Reading Month!** During the month of March, Preschool-8th grade students will be working together to build the Hungry, Hungry Caterpillar. By reading (or being read to) at home, students can earn circles to add to the caterpillar. Students who participate will be able to take part in rewards as the caterpillar reaches certain distances. Each classroom has a different criteria for how much reading must be completed in order to earn a circle.  
  • **Spring Flower Fundraiser** - The plants & flowers are beautiful & guaranteed 100%. This will also be a tuition assistance fundraiser. **Orders & money due Thursday March 25th**, make **ONE** check for your child's entire fundraising order payable to: Cross Lutheran CEA. Plants will be delivered prior to Mother's Day; the exact date will be given closer to that time. *Plants need to be picked up on the delivery date & delivered timely to ensure proper care. Any questions please contact April at 1-989-553-0663.  
  • **CALENDAR CHANGE:** Music Palooza has been RESCHEDULED for May 27  
  • Fri., Mar. 26- End of 3rd Marking Period  
  • Mar. 29-Apr. 2- Spring Break  
  • **CALENDAR CHANGE:** There will be no school on Monday April 5, (Easter Monday) to keep our calendar consistent with Laker Schools. |
| Preschool | • Preschool Parents should be receiving notices from Brightwheel. If you are not please reach out to Sarah, so you are not missing out on information.  
• Please note: the phone number for the Preschool classroom is 989-550-3334.  
• Reading Month update: The preschool class has logged a total of 220 books (as of the end of last week). Wow! This is the last week of the reading program, so bring all book logs to school this week!  
• Themes this week: Letter X and numeral review. For Zoo Phonics, we are working on capital letters (without characters) “M” through “Q”. Stories and literacy activities are on the theme of classic storybooks and Nursery Rhymes. Other items for this week: numeral recognition, counting and painting. Bible time is about Jesus healing the ten with leprosy.  
• Spring Break: Preschool classes will not be held next week, March 29-April 1.  
• With the temperatures warming, your child will probably not need snowpants; however, there IS mud on the playground sometimes, so please send boots for a while longer. Warm jackets and hats are also needed for our 9:20 a.m. recess. |
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| Childcare | • The Center will be closed for Good Friday, April 2.  
• Parents please remember to talk with Sarah about vacation and sick days. If you do not say anything, they will not be applied. |
| Church Events | • You are always welcome to attend Cross Lutheran Church on Sunday mornings. Our service begins at 9:30 A.M. |