



WOLF TRACKS NEWSLETTER

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PASSAGE OF THE WEEK

“Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light for my path.”

Psalm 119:105

HOT LUNCH

Friday – We will be having chicken taquitos and beans for \$2/plate.

CLEANING

27 – Jimenez

3 - Scheri

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday:

- Lego League 3:00 – 4:30
- Trunk or Treat

Saturday: Lego League 9:00 – 12:00

Sunday: All children sing at the 9:00 service.

CHILDREN SING

All students are up for singing this coming Sunday at our 9:00 service. If you are unable to make it, please speak to either teacher to let them know and the reason.

HALF DAY WITH NO AFTERCARE

Just a reminder that on Wednesday, October 31, we have a half day of school with the students dismissed at 12:00. There is no aftercare available as the teachers will be traveling to Arizona for a conference.

There is no school November 1 and 2 for that conference.

BOX TOP ORDERS

Our next Box Tops deadline is November 1. If you have been saving them at home, please bring them in so they may be clipped, counted, and mailed before the deadline. There is a box in the library where they may be turned in.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK ORDERS

Scholastic book orders will be sent home this week with the students. The more books purchased through the book orders, the more points we can use to add books to our library. Orders and payments should be turned in by next week Tuesday. Checks should be made out to Anna Vogel.

You can also place your book orders online by using the code: **DZFFJ**. The same due date applies to online orders.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Shepherd of the Hills will be hosting its annual Trunk or Treat this Friday, October 26, starting at 6:00. If you signed up for a trunk, you will be receiving a handout with information on Monday. We also could use more help with set up and clean up. If you are willing to help in any way or have any questions, please speak to Anna Vogel.

LEGO LEAGUE SCHEDULE

I wanted to highlight some of the practices as they change when we get closer to the competition. The main competition will be held on November 10. We will have longer practices on November 1 and 2 to prepare. An e-mail was sent last week with more information.

The Vogel household hosts a small group Bible Study that involves parenting every Tuesday at 6:30. Each week I will try to share a quick snip-it of what was discussed. If anyone has an interest in joining us, please let me know.

STRATEGY #1 – Amusement is Not the Highest Priority

Is it healthy for our children to be entertained all the time? Our children are surrounded by an insatiable urge for entertainment from trampoline parks to go-carts to TV's to tablets and game systems, and on and on. The American child averages 7 hours of screen time a day, and this does not include school work. How many of us have seen the tablets in restaurants to keep the children entertained?

If we are not careful, this lifestyle can rewire our children's brain to become addicted to the need for entertainment and instant gratification. They will then miss out on the simple pleasure of childhood like playing outdoors, riding a bike, using their imagination in play, and just being alone with their thoughts to encourage original thoughts.

WHAT TO DO?

1. Find activities where children are not in front of a screen and can play with others.
2. Do a weekly test to see how much screen time your child has in the home.
3. Make them wait for things that they want or just say no. If not, their need for instant gratification will only grow. It is okay if your child doesn't have something that other kids do. It is okay if your child has not been to a place that other children have.
4. It is alright for them to be bored. Don't jump in and immediately find something for them to do. Let them work it out on their own and make their own decisions.