

- School will be CLOSED next Monday, October 9, for the Columbus Day Holiday. Classes resume on Tuesday.
- Students in K-4 - 7th grade will be going on a field trip to Gaver Farm next Tuesday, October 10. The permission slip and fee of \$6.00 per person MUST BE SENT IN BY THIS THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6. You can get more information on the farm online. All adults must pay \$6.00 each and parents (or another responsible adult) must accompany students in K-4 and K-5. All drivers and students must meet together at the farm and enter as a group in order to get the group rate of the school. We will leave school at 8:30 AM and return by the normal dismissal time. Students should bring a bag lunch and dress for weather conditions. They should wear their gym uniform.
- Students in grades 5-11 have planned a trip to the Holocaust Museum for Friday, November 3. That permission slip, a form regarding transportation help, and the \$25.00 fee for the trip MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13. No extra people will be added to the trip after this date. If your child is not going to attend this trip, there will be a staff member remaining here at school to supervise them.
- Our school will be participating in the Operation Christmas Child Shoebox program again this year. Each student will be given the information need to pack a shoebox for children overseas. We no longer have the shoeboxes like we had last year. The Dollar Tree has shoeboxes which can be used for filling. They are clear plastic and can hold many items. You can also use a shoe box you have at home. Information on what to put in and how to fill the boxes is on the brochures students will bring home. All filled boxes must be received back at school by or before November 7.
- We have a deadline of November 1 to submit our box tops so that they can be automatically doubled. Send in your box tops as soon as possible so that we can meet that deadline.
- Small cups for the water dispensers and baby wipes are needed.
- We came across an interesting article in an education magazine. It is called "Technology's Lies." What are those subtle lies that technology leads children to believe? Author Kathy Koch, Ph.D identified five and suggests how we, as teachers and parents, can overcome them.
 - Lie #1 I AM THE CENTER OF MY OWN UNIVERSE. Such is the effect of social media, where kids anxiously watch their post to see how many likes they have garnered. We must demonstrate that God is the center of the universe.
 - Lie #2 I DESERVE TO BE HAPPY ALL THE TIME. Technology makes things easier. We must resist the temptation to rescue students from all hardships. Model resilience to kids and they will learn to persevere.
 - Lie #3 I MUST HAVE CHOICES. Students expect choice. Let's model better standards than happiness, especially when making important decisions.
 - Lie #4 I AM MY OWN AUTHORITY. With no clear standard of right and wrong in our culture, we must help children and students see that God's authority is designed to protect us.

- Lie #5 I DON'T NEED TEACHERS AND AUTHORITY FIGURES. I have information. Our power comes in helping students understand the differences between information, knowledge, and wisdom, teaching them to sift, sort, synthesize and share information.
- Lunch this week will be PIZZA. ORDERS MUST BE RECEIVED AND PAID FOR BY THIS THURSDAY.
- Thanks to the families who have brought in water bottles for our dispensers. We appreciate your help!
- DATES TO REMEMBER:
 - PERMISSION SLIP AND MONEY FOR GAVER FARM THURSDAY, OCT. 6
 - SCHOOL CLOSED MONDAY OCTOBER 9 - COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY
 - GAVER FARM TRIP TUESDAY OCTOBER 10
 - HOLOCAUST PERMISSION SLIP, TRANSPORTATION SLIP AND MONEY BY OCT. 13
 - HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL TRIP NOVEMBER 3