

The Mustang Minute

November 9th - 13th

** Aven Tirrel's grandmother passed away late last week. Please keep her and her family in your prayers. Aven is the director for our Christmas musical.

** Pastor David Gunderson from St. John's Lutheran Church in Yankton will be speaking at 10:30am today about his service as a chaplain in the National Guard. Please join us!

** No school on Wednesday, November 11 in observance of Veteran's Day.

** SCRIP orders will be due on Friday, November 13th. Be thinking about Thanksgiving and Christmas activities where gift cards could be used. Be sure to check out the website www.glscrip.com for the complete list of businesses available.

** Christmas Rummage Sale Fundraiser is this Saturday, November 14th from 8am to 3pm. Here is a list of volunteer commitments received thus far: (Let us know if I forgot you! ☺)

Friday Volunteers: Matt Ahlers - 8:30 - 10:30am; Dave Hubbs - morning; Nick Saylor - morning; Cheryl Saylor - afternoon; Carol Christensen - 1-3pm; Jolynn Tennant - 8:30-10:00am; Shirley Dangler - morning

Saturday Volunteers: Cami Ahlers - 8:00am - 1:00pm; Dave Hubbs - morning; Nick or Cheryl Saylor - morning; Karen Frederick - all day; Darrell & Rhonda Schenkel - 12:30-3:30pm

We are going to need more help. Please let us know when you are able to pitch in. *Remember: All funds from this sale benefit the school.*

Looking Ahead:

✓ The regular monthly board meeting is on Tuesday, November 17th at 3:30pm in Miss Brandt's room.

✓ On Saturday, November 21st we are looking for some volunteers to come in and help paint the backdrops (6 of them) for the Christmas musical. We will start around 9am and work until finished.

Special Note:

☺ Do you enjoy volunteering at the school? Mrs. Frederick now has an area set up by her classroom door with materials and instructions for little jobs that parent volunteers just might enjoy doing while spending time at school. The instruction sheet lists the approximate time it will take to complete the job, so whether you have 15 minutes or 1 hour you can choose a job that is just right for you. Thank you in advance for any time you give!

☺ The classes will be packing shoeboxes with Christmas gifts for boys and girls ages 5-9 years for Operation Christmas Child. We will go shopping at Wal-mart on Friday afternoon so each child will have the opportunity to purchase a gift. If you would like to provide the money for your child's gift, please send a few dollars with your child. We will track the shoeboxes to see what country they go to and will also be including a note and picture of the classes. For more information about OCC visit <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php>.

In Our Classrooms: Check out our blog at www.mvcamustangs.blogspot.com/.

Kindergarten - 1st Grade

Whew! Between field trips, holidays, and sick kids I'm really having to put my organizational skills to work! With the arrival of November, we shook things up a bit. We added a *Will it sink or float?* station, filled our writing center with Thanksgiving words, and added a few games to practice math and English skills. Oh, we also filled our science center with a variety of materials to weigh and filled our sand table with corn! What a fun month November can be!

2nd Grade

Bible - Review of kings and prophets in the Old Testament; **Reading** - a story about a helpful Kangaroo; **Grammar** - capitalizing words, proper and common nouns; **Math** -3 digit addition, quarter hour, 10 fact family and measuring; **Heritage Studies** -looking at the children and their schooling in Plymouth Colony; **Science** - Habitats

4th Grade

Bible: Life of Abraham; **English:** compare and contrast; **Spelling:** review week; **Reading:** folktales; **Math:** fractions adding and subtraction; **Heritage Studies:** shaping America; **Science:** new unit on animal species

