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From the Principal:



Hello OAS Families,

As you are likely aware, on Tuesday, February 25th, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) gave a press conference updating the country on the current status of the coronavirus (COVID-19), and what steps should be taken moving forward. We wanted to share with you some of the steps our school is taking to prevent the spread of illness across our campus, and plan for the possible spread of the coronavirus in our community.

As the CDC emphasized, there is **not currently a coronavirus pandemic in the United States**. A pandemic occurs when a disease is spreading from a variety of sources across a large region, and the number of cases across the US is still small. However, given how quickly the global situation is evolving, we are monitoring new developments and will continue to reevaluate our steps and actions daily.

In the meantime, the most effective way to stay healthy and minimize the spread of infectious disease is to follow basic health best practices like:

- Enforcing great hygiene, like washing hands thoroughly and covering up coughs/sneezes
- Asking all students who are feeling ill to stay home until they recover.

Our community is prepared to alter our procedures and planning should the situation change, [including strategies like virtual schooling]. We are also thinking ahead regarding the impact spring travel, upcoming school trips, and other non-typical school activities will have in the context of the coronavirus. We will communicate any changes affirmatively when the time is appropriate.

It is important to remember that handling the spread of a serious contagion like the coronavirus is primarily a task for public health agencies. Any directives from the World Health Organization, CDC, or local governmental organizations should be followed.

In times like this, we are particularly grateful for the strength and togetherness of this community. Please continue to look for further communications from us on this matter.

God Bless,
Janet Lopez

Upcoming Events:

- Mar. 16 Sign-up for P/T conf.
- Mar. 20 Track & Field Day
- Mar. 23 P/T conf.- NO SCHOOL
- Mar. 30 – Apr. 3 Spring Break – NO SCHOOL



Pre-K & Kindergarten Mrs. Beth Kobliska



Amazeum Field Trip

Grades Pre-K through 2 will be visiting the Amazeum on March 19. As usual, Pre-K will need to have a parent join them or make other arrangements for that day. Watch for further details.

Theme

We will continue to learn more about arctic animals and Alaska this week, including choosing an animal to research and report on.

Reading Logs

Reading logs are due every Friday or Monday. This time reading with your children is such an important part of their journey to being independent readers. If you are missing a reading log or forget to fill it out, you can tell me or text me their minutes.

Kindergarten Readers

The kindergartners are bringing home their little reading books regularly now. They are so excited to be "reading"! They should keep their books and practice reading them often. This builds fluency and confidence, both of which are so important!

Letter of the Week

Our letter of the upcoming week will be the letter **Vv**.

Snack Time

Our snack providers for the second week of March are as follows.
Monday, March 9: Banner/Beckon
Tuesday, March 10: Tinsley
Wednesday, March 11: Wade
Thursday, March 12: Emma

1st & 2nd Grade Mrs. Kay Sutherland



Amazeum field trip is planned for the 19th. Can you go with us? We can take the bus but we still need parents to guide small groups of 5 or 6 around the museum when we get there. Please text me if you can join us.

We are collecting small boxes of crayons and summer clothes (for children 5-14) to send with my daughter Megan when she goes to L'esperance Orphanage in Uganda during Spring break.

Reading Logs are due every Friday.

Please listen to your child read and encourage them to bring in SIGNED reading logs. Reading logs not turned in roll over onto the backwork list! Bonus recess is not earned when there is backwork!

We are still counting how many 8 oz. glasses of water we are drinking. Please help your child

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remember to drink and keep track of the water they consume. It is such a great way to stay healthy!

In Bible class we are learning about the ten commandments and the sanctuary God asked Moses to have built at the base of Mount Saini. **God wanted to be close to his people. He wants to be close to us.**

Show and Tell is every Monday afternoon. Please help your child bring something they have found in nature, a pet, a family outing or trip. Items that go along with what we are learning about in school are also appropriate. We are talking about personal feelings and growth in reading classes. Everyone is also learning about landforms and how to stay healthy.

3rd & 4th Grade Mrs. Eva Hill



☺ **A HUGE thanks to our drivers** to the Jones Center on Thursday—Ashlyn's mom, Brian's dad, Dregan's mom, Sammy's mom, and Zac's mom. We had a great time, got some exercise, and got better at ice skating (in spite of a few falls☺).

☺ **What a wonderful week of prayer** we have just enjoyed. Mr. Bray from Camp Yorktown Bay shared lots of really interesting stories focusing on Jesus!

☺ **Social studies chapter 10 test is next Thursday.** Students have notes on a regular basis to study for the next test. If they will read through these notes daily, they will be prepared for each test as it comes. Please encourage your child to develop this extremely important study skill now.

☺ **Social studies state presentations rubrics** are in the

envelopes this Friday. The presentations are due April 13, and will be graded based on the rubric. If you have any questions, please let me know. Have fun!

☺ **Multiplication!** 12 X 12 = ?
Keep them in mind!

☺ **Spelling next week is a review lesson.** Words from lessons 19 through 23 will be reviewed and tested.

☺ **Treasure verse quiz next Friday:**

“Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and he will give you everything you need. So don't be afraid, little flock. For it gives your Father great happiness to give you the Kingdom.”
Luke 12:31-32

☺ **“Go fly a kite!”** next Thursday afternoon. Bring a kite with you to school. Weather permitting, we'll have some outdoor fun with them that afternoon. If you are really creative, make your own kite! There is some cool kite information in the library.

5th & 6th Grade Mrs. Janet Lopez



This week in 5/6 grade in Bible we finished studying Daniel. We made a chart depicting Nebuchadnezzar's image and telling the time in history each part represented. We identified our place in history and recognize that the next significant event will be Jesus's second coming! We can't wait! This week Eric Bray from Camp Yorktown Bay came to give our Week of Prayer. What a blessing we received. He also told some stories from Daniel as well as some Nature stories. Thank you Mr. Bray for pointing us to Jesus.

In Social Studies we learned about Texas and the Alamo. We also took a trip to Utah and learned about the Mormon settlements there and the effect on the history in that area.

Rocks and Minerals have been the subject of discussion in Science. We made some sedimentary rocks and learned how other rocks are formed. A test over chapter 7 will be next Tuesday. We did the review for this lesson already so the students have that to study.

In Reading we continue to read, *Spy for the Night Riders.* This book tells the story of Martin Luther, the reformer. It's getting very interesting when Martin has to go into hiding for fear of his life.

In Language Arts we are differentiating between Adverbs and Prepositions. We also completed our chapter review on the parts of speech and we test on this unit next Thursday.

Remember to study for your MV, vocab, and spelling tests.

Have a happy weekend!

7th & 8th Grade Mrs. Lisa Tonack Mrs. Tonda Smith



📅 **Test Schedule:**
Mon.: Art (Villages) due
Wed.: S.S. Test 14
Thurs.: Spelling Test 26

📅 **Week of Prayer:**
We have really enjoyed Week of Prayer this week. Eric Bray, the ranger from Camp Yorktown Bay has shared Jesus' messages from his heart and has blessed us all this week. Thank you to Eric Bray!

📅 **Next AR points due:** March 26.

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Library Mrs. Jeanie Davis



The winner for this week is Myah.

The state: Colorado

The question: What is the state Flower?

Answer: Columbine

Traveling the States:

This week we will travel to Kansas and Nebraska.

What is the state insect of Nebraska?

What is the state Flower of Kansas?

Next Thursday will be AR STORE!

The last day to earn points is next Wednesday.



See you in the library!

GEORGE DENNEHY

“UndeFEETed” Concert & Testimony

Better known as “that armless guy”, George presents his story on Friday, March 20 at 7:30 PM and Sabbath, March 21 at 3:00 PM at Ozark Adventist Academy (20997 Dawn Hill East Rd., Gentry, AR 72734).

Although he was born without arms, he has taught himself to play guitar, electric bass and piano. He sings and plays music from his heart — using his feet! He is capturing attention all over the world for his unique talents. Because he has overcome so many challenges in his own life, he believes that every individual has a purpose and absolutely anything is possible.

People young and old in his audience are inspired and deeply touched, often coming to realize that they too can overcome their obstacles and achieve their goals with God’s help.

Come and hear this powerful testimony of victory despite seemingly unconquerable circumstances; *leave* inspired to face your own challenges with God’s strength.

For more information, contact Judy Fetters @ (804) 874-9430 or email: euglena1370@yahoo.com



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