



ST. MARK LUTHERAN SCHOOL

PRIDE

STRESS MANAGEMENT

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Ever since the fall into sin, people have had to manage stress in their lives. We don't always manage our stress well, either. People have developed their own ways to try and deal with stress. Some of them can be helpful. Exercise more? Yes, it helps the body relieve stress to give it a good, regular workout. Talk about the problems that cause us stress? Often when we talk about what is causing us stress we work out better solutions than when we just think it over alone.

But Jesus has given us much more than just physical exercise and talking to relieve stress. He has given us his Word to reframe our lives under his redeeming grace and to give us hope and peace in his promises of forgiveness and eternal success in his Son.

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 4:6,7)

God's blessings, peace, sure hope, wisdom, and love to you and your family from our family here at St. Mark Church & School.

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Mark Koelpin – Interim Principal

FACULTY & STAFF

-  This year has been filled with a number of blessings for our staff. In fall, Mr. Karl & Mrs. Hannah Henselin announced their resignations at the end of the 2014-15 school year to pursue other career opportunities. As a result Mr. Kurt Gosdeck, who currently serves at St. Lucas Lutheran School, Kewaskum, accepted the call to be our 4th grade teacher and technology coordinator starting for the 2015-16 school year. Kurt, his wife Sarah, and two children, Jordan and Autumn plan to move to the Green Bay area in June.
-  Mrs. Beth Neuser, who currently serves as our 1st grade instructional aide, has accepted the call to teach 4-year old preschool at our De Pere campus for Mrs. Henselin.
-  In January, Principal Jeremy Bock accepted a position to be the Headmaster at CELA (Christian Education Leadership Academy) in Pewaukee, WI. CELA is a brand new facility and will serve students in Pre-K-3-8th grade beginning in fall 2015. Mr. Mark Koelpin is currently serving as the Interim Principal and Mr. Darin Stewart as the Vice-Principal. A call has been extended to Mr. Robert Dusseau who currently serves as the Principal at Risen Savior Lutheran School in Milwaukee. We are awaiting Mr. Dusseau's decision regarding the call to serve as Principal at St. Mark.
-  Mrs. Callie Shinnick has been serving as our 3rd grade teacher and has agreed to another one-year call to continue teaching 3rd grade. In addition, Mrs. Shinnick and her husband Pastor Tyler Shinnick will welcome their first child in September.
-  Mrs. Nancy Doran who currently serves as our Monday/Wednesday 3 year old Preschool teacher at our De Pere campus has agreed to another one year call to continue teaching 3-year old preschool in De Pere. Nancy also serves as Director for our After School Care program. Nancy has been a tremendous asset to our staff and we are truly grateful for her service.

Please continue to keep our school, staff and students in your prayers as we close our 2014-15 school year and prepare for 2015-16!



ACADEMICS



ST. MARK SPELLING BEE

The St. Mark school Spelling Bee was held on Friday, January 30th. Brady Johnson (6th) took 1st place and Cole Leatherberry (6th) took 2nd! Brady then participated in the Green Bay/Kewaunee Regional Spelling Bee on February 9th. Brady did an outstanding job finishing in 6th place out of 28 contestants.

Both Brady and Cole qualified to participate in the WELS Area Spelling Bee on Friday, March 13th at Manitowoc Lutheran High School. Both did an outstanding job! Congratulations to Cole Leatherberry for a 1st place finish and to Brady Johnson for a 4th place finish out of 41 participants. Thank you for representing St. Mark, we are so proud of you!

ST. MARK GEOGRAPHY BEE



On Wednesday, January 8th, students in grades 5-8 participated in our annual school Geography Bee. Congratulations to the winner, Lucas Stiles (7th) who advanced to the next level of competition, a written examination to determine state competitors. Luke correctly answered the following question to advance: *Jack London's classic novel "The Call of the Wild" tells the story of a pet dog that learns to survive in the wild after being kidnapped. This story takes place in the Yukon in which country?* **Canada.**

3RD QUARTER HONOR ROLL

Congratulations to the following students on their outstanding 3rd quarter academic achievements!

Honor Roll (3.325-3.74): Rebekah Buboltz (6th), Marie Demler (6th), Myles Jensen (6th), Brady Johnson (6th), Olivia Krahn (6th), Cole Leatherberry (6th), Emma Santos (6th), Samantha Schreiber (6th), Melyssa Boehler (7th), Isabelle Hermann (7th), Kylie Schedler (7th), Noah Wismer (7th), Amelia Bock (8th), Emilie Everard (8th), Claire Jensen (8th), Jaclyn Mayer (8th), Hunter Mayer (8th), Elizabeth Santos (8th), Kaitlyn Sehloff (8th), and Alexia Siegle (8th).

High Honors (3.745-4.0): Cameron Baye (6th), Jack Rosner (6th), Karlye Post (7th), Lucas Stiles (7th), Kyra Adrian (8th), Alicia Krahn (8th), and Jenna Tackmier (8th).



MISSIONS

During the third quarter St. Mark students participated in classroom penny wars (boys vs. girls) in an effort to support our second semester mission opportunity, **WELS Supports our Military**. The boys won in a majority of the classrooms. The competition continues during the 4th quarter as classrooms compete against one another to see who can raise the most.

Current classroom totals are as follows:

✚ Kindergarten: \$139.00	✚ 5th: \$157.54
✚ 1st: \$110.00	✚ 6th: \$240.94
✚ 2nd: \$186.56	✚ 7th: \$118.38
✚ 3rd: 160.74	✚ 8th: \$45.05
✚ 4th: \$69.70	

For more information regarding the **WELS Supports our Military** program visit the synod website at: www.wels.net, select the *How We Serve* tab and scroll down to *Military*.

UPCOMING EVENTS

ENTERTAINMENT NIGHT: April 30th at 6:30 PM
Students in grades 1-4 will perform "Are We There Yet?" *Journey back in time and travel with Moses and the Israelites and experience how, like so many accounts in the Bible, at the heart of a great spiritual event we find some people a lot like ourselves.*

GRANDPEOPLE DAY: May 1st 12:30-3:00 PM Grandparents and special guests of students in grades 5-8 are invited to a fun-filled afternoon of entertainment and classroom visits. In addition, grades 1-4 will perform and encore presentation of "Are We There Yet?"

Confirmation: Sunday, May 17th 10:30 AM (De Pere)

Closing Service/8th Grade Recognition: Thursday, May 21st 6:30 PM (De Pere)



Scholastic Book Fair 2015~A Huge Success!

Thanks to the generosity of parents, grandparents, and volunteers we achieved sales of over \$3,000, with a profit of nearly \$1,200 in "Scholastic Dollars"! As a result, we were able to purchase many books for classroom libraries and the school library.

**Spring Pizza Fundraiser**

On April 18th parents, staff, and students joined together to assemble over 3,200 pizzas! Thank you to all who bought and sold pizzas and helped make this event a huge success. This fundraiser, along with our annual auction, is crucial in providing funds to support our tuition assistance program, teacher professional development, technology program, and our learning resource fund. Thank you for your continued support!

Save the Date!

St. Mark School Live & Silent Auction will be held on Saturday, November 14th at the Green Bay Distillery.

FVL FESTIVAL OF ART

St. Mark students and students from 13 other area WELS schools recently participated in the FVL Festival of Art. Schools could enter up to five pieces of art work per grade. Students from FVL went through, judged the art work, and voted for their favorites. St. Mark students Jessica Steinke (2nd), Harmen VanKampen (2nd), Miles Grun (5th), Claire Post (5th), Rebekah Buboltz (6th), and Claire Jensen (8th) all received an Honorable Mention award. Congratulations!

**ST. MARK FORENSICS 2015**

Congratulations to the St. Mark Forensics group for doing an outstanding job on Thursday, March 19th at the FVL Forensics Fest. Results were as follows:

Josh Wiegman (5th) Poetry-1st place, Blake Maxwell (5th) Poetry- 1st Place, Angie Stiles (5th) Prose-1st Place, Nathaniel Parise (5th) Prose-2nd Place, Myles Jensen (6th) Demonstration-1st Place, Olivia Krahn (6th) Solo Acting-1st Place, Cameron Baye (6th) 4 minute speech-1st Place, Brady Johnson (6th) Demonstration-2nd Place, Luke Stiles (7th) 4 minute speech-2nd Place, Isabelle Hermann (7th) Moments in History-1st Place, Alicia Krahn (8th) Moments in History-1st Place, Kyra Adrian (8th) Solo Acting-1st Place, Emilie Everard, Claire Jensen, Jaclyn Mayer, Kate Sehloff, Jade Van Ess (8th)-Play Acting-1st Place.

St. Mark took 2nd place overall. Way to go! We are so proud of you! Thank you to Mrs. Vicki Boileau, Mrs. Sarah Myers, Mr. Mark Koelpin, Mrs. Dianne Lange, Mrs. Lois Marquardt, Mrs. Erika Haar, and Mrs. Alicia Schroeder-Haag for using your time and talents to coach and help our students improve their forensics skills!

Upcoming Spring Sport Events:

- **May 5th:** 4:30 PM Home softball game vs. Emanuel-New London
- **May 7th:** 4:30 PM Away softball game at Bethany-Hortonville (Miller Park)
- **May 11th:** Track meet at De Pere
- **May 12th:** 4:15 PM Home softball game vs. Immanuel-Greenville
- **May 13th:** Track meet at FVL (grades 5 & 6 morning) (grades 7 & 8 afternoon)

ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the Boys B basketball team for a 1st place finish at the tournament hosted by Immanuel-Greenville on January 30th! Girls B basketball also took 1st place at the tournament hosted by Trinity-Neenah on February 7th. Way to go! We're so proud of you!



On Saturday, February 27 and Sunday, February 28th our A Boys and Girls Basketball teams participated in the FVL league tournament. Congratulations to the A team girls on a 3rd place finish overall!



We've! Got! Spirit! The A and B Team cheerleading squads did an awesome job cheering for our Boys A & B basketball teams this past season!



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ST. MARK'S MISSION:

“To assist parents in the daily Christian training of their children with the timeless truths of God’s Word for now and eternity. We strive to nurture each child’s mind, body, and soul in a Christ-centered atmosphere using a systematic, thorough curriculum and high academic standards.”



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