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SCHOOL TODAY?

Thursday & Friday
Oct 15 & 16
NO SCHOOL

Friday, Nov 6
NO SCHOOL
Drive Thru
Borscht Supper

Wednesday, Nov 25
EARLY DISMISSAL
@12:30 pm

Thursday & Friday
Nov 26 & 27
Thanksgiving Vacation

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DRIVE-THRU MLC BORSCHT SUPPER Nov 6

It's feeling like Borscht Season!

Help us spread the word about
MLC's DRIVE-THRU
Borscht Supper!

WHEN: Friday, Nov 6
3-6 pm

WHAT: Drive-Thru Borscht
Ready to Heat 'n Serve
Quarts and Pails

COST: \$35 - gallon pails
\$10 - quarts

The MLC Ladies Auxiliary is currently taking donations of plastic quart ice cream containers, quart jars, and gallon pails. If you have extra of these items, please drop them off in the MLC office! Thank you!

UNIT 1 GRADES

The end of our first Unit is this week on Wednesday, Oct 14. Parents should watch for emailed grade sheets to be sent out after October 23. Continue to check student grades and assignments on your RenWeb Family Portal. If you have any questions, please contact us! ■

ACADIENCE TESTING

MLC has administered the Acadience Math Testing (formerly known as DIBELS) last week to grades K-6.



MLC administers this testing three times per year looking for reading and math success. The results of this testing help inform the decisions regarding MLC's Early Learning Center-detecting when students need extra support. ■

GO TO THE WEBSITE (www.gomlc.org)

Have friends or family that want to know more about MLC? Direct them to the "About Us" tab.

Are you a parent looking for information? Click on the "Parent Resource" Tab to find up-to-date information, forms, instructions, Renweb, and more! ■

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

MLC continues its participation with Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child project. We want to encourage you in this very worthy project, however, participation is entirely voluntary. If you do not want to fill a whole box, you may bring items to complete a shoebox in school. Another option is to build a shoebox online. If you choose the online option, Samaritan's Purse will pack items you choose to include in a shoebox with a letter or photo and then ship the shoebox for a donation of \$25. This organization gives those that want to participate many easy ways to give to children in need around the world!

When packing a box, you are encouraged to include a "WOW" item. At right is a listing of suggested "WOW" items to include in boxes. For a listing of what NOT to include and other instructions and suggestions for boxes, go to samaritanspurse.org.

Boxes are due at MLC by Friday, the week of November 16-23. A dedication chapel will be held at 8:10 am, on Wednesday, November 18, in the Music Room.

AND! Don't forget to include a \$9 donation per box to cover the shipping and other project costs.

Thank you for your participation in this project!



SHOEBOX GIFT IDEAS

"WOW" ITEM

- Soccer ball with pump
- Doll
- Stuffed animal
- Shoes

TOYS

- Toy cars
- Jump ropes
- Yo-yos
- Toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries)

**NON-LIQUID
HYGIENE ITEMS**

- Toothbrushes
- Bar soap
- Washcloths
- Combs

**SCHOOL
SUPPLIES**

- Pens, pencils, sharpeners, crayons, and markers
- Notebooks and paper
- Coloring and picture books
- Solar calculators

ACCESSORIES

- Socks
- Sunglasses
- Jewelry and watches
- Flashlights (with extra batteries)

**DO NOT
INCLUDE**

candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items; seeds; food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items or glass containers; aerosol cans

For additional gift suggestions and more, visit samaritanspurse.org/occ

GIVING OPPORTUNITY

MLC is cooperating with the Cottonwood County Coats For Kids Drive, an annual project to help families provide children with proper winter clothing.

There is a need for new or very gently used coats, snow pants, snow suits, hats, mittens, gloves, scarves, socks, and MLC is cooperating with the Cottonwood County Coats For Kids Drive, an annual project to help families provide children with proper winter clothing. A donation box is located near MLC's front door.

If you know of a child that is in need of winter clothing, please contact DVHHS at 507-831-1987 to make an appointment ■



IT'S AN ONLINE AUCTION!

As we make plans to take the 2020 MLC Annual Benefit Auction online, we are humbled and grateful thinking of all the local and regional donors who have faithfully donated both for previous auctions and for this present year's auction. We also think about all the faithful families and community members, past and present, that have supported MLC so well in many ways and, again, we are again humbled and grateful.

As we look forward to a first ever online auction, it is our heart to honor those who have donated as well as invite joyful and generous giving from all who look expectantly to the future ministry of MLC in this community. We acknowledge that there will be growing pains with this new format, both as we work through the challenges of going digital and as you navigate an entirely different online auction. As you embark on this adventure with us, continue to pray fervently, love sacrificially, and give generously. And we will glorify God with you through it all!

Some of the details for this year's online auction are at right. There will be more to come -- keep watching!

MLC Parents: If you were thinking about donating a basket for the auction but have not yet finished, please do so at this time. Bring your donation to the MLC office as soon as possible. Be sure to include a note giving us your name, a listing of what is in the basket, and the value. We thank you so much for your consideration.

While we anticipate this great event, please help us spread the word. Flyers are available to download and print at the website. Thank you!

Help Us Grow!

November 21 - 29 
MOUNTAIN LAKE CHRISTIAN
**BENEFIT
AUCTION**
BIDDING FOR KINGDOM IMPACT

Online Benefit Auction

- Unique items and services •
most from local businesses!

Online bidding begins at 9am
on November 21

and ends November 29 at
8:30pm

The online auction site will be
posted at gomlc.org soon!
Keep your eye on the MLC site!

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BUTTERBRAID ANYONE?

MLC juniors and seniors are selling Butterbraid items to fund events later this school year (Jr/Sr Formal and trips). If you are interested in purchasing a yummy treat (or two), please contact an MLC student or call the office at 507-427-2010. Be sure to place your order by **Thursday, November 12**. Delivery is scheduled for **Monday, November 23**.



FIFTH & SIXTH GRADE FUNDRAISING

Due to the change in format for this year's MLC Borscht Supper from an in-house meal to a drive-thru supper, there will be no Bake Sale. The MLC Bake Sale provides funds for the annual 5th & 6th grade spring trip. HOWEVER...

Our ingenious MLC 5th & 6th graders have come up with a plan! Take a look below to find out how you can support MLC 5th & 6th grade students.

**ORDERS FOR THESE ITEMS ARE DUE ON
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29**

1. Need a Snack? Minn-Tex has you covered! If you don't know an MLC student but would like to purchase one of the snacks shown below, orders can be placed online by going to myfruitsale.com. Click on the "Shop Products" green button. Follow the directions to place your order.



\$15
16 oz Smokey Snack
Sticks (11-12 sticks)



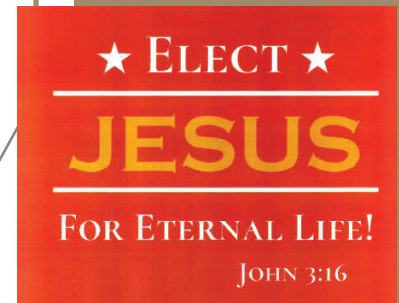
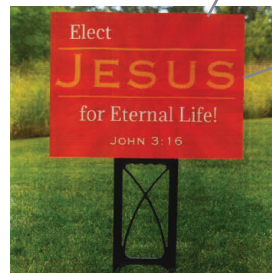
\$25
2.5 lbs Beef Sticks
30-35 sticks



\$14
6 oz Beef Jerky

2. How about spreading some good news during this year's divisive election cycle? Purchase an "Elect Jesus for Eternal Life" Placard for your yard to help spread the good message! 18 x 24 yard signs can be purchased for \$15.

If you don't know an MLC student but would like to purchase a sign, contact the MLC office.



(Sign detail)

Did you know??

YOU are MLC's best advocate!
Let your friends and family know
about the
benefits of a Christian education at
MLC.



FIRE PREVENTION WEEK

Last week was Fire Prevention Week! Mt. Lake City firemen visited the school on Wednesday. The firemen showed students what it might look like in case of fire. Thank you to our local volunteer firemen for taking time to educate our students!



Fireman Darron dressed up in his fire gear to show our students what it might look like when a fireman is looking for a person in a burning building.



Evelyn Stoneking practices using the fire hose with Fireman Steve

PICTURE DAY, 2020

Primping and preening, paying special attention to their hair ---- it's not just for the girls!!!

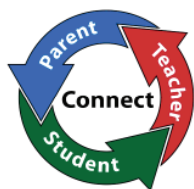
Fourth grade girls found the mirror before smiling for the Lifetouch cameraman on picture day, Friday, October 2, and even some of our ninth and tenth grade young men made the same stop before smiling!



L to R: Emmalynn Nickel, Galaxie Penner, Emily Johnson, Abbey Lepp, Chloe Oltmans and Lola Berg practicing their smiles!



L to R: Evan Oltmans, Jordan Linscheid and Tyler Dick making sure every hair is in place!



MLC Parents: Thank you for coming to Fall PT Conferences. It is our joy to work alongside you in educating your children. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns.

MAKING GOOD USE OF OUR SPACE IN THE LIBRARY



Mrs. Linscheid teaching phonics to the first graders.

The MLC building is a busy place, bursting at the seams! So many things to do in a building with only so much room! The staff continually works at creatively making use of the available space. (See Page 6-8 for three ways in which we are making use of every inch of every inch of building space!)



Brielle Green putting together sounds to make words

Mrs. Linscheid made the switch from Pre-K to 1st grade this school year. Each morning our four 1st graders along with Mrs. Linscheid gather in their classroom, otherwise known as the Library! Morning studies include phonics, reading, math, handwriting, and map skills. After lunch, the first graders join the second graders in Miss Knutson's classroom for the rest of the day.

During class time, students make use of lap desks when learning and studying. Since the library is used in the afternoons by this year's librarian, Mrs. Fast, to work with other grades to check out books and study, the lap desks are a portable way to use this room in two ways: a classroom in the morning and a library in the afternoon!



L to R: Thaiden Meyer, Gwyneth Flaming and Makiah Hall working on phonics at their lap desks

MAKING GOOD USE OF OUR SPACE IN A LOCKER ROOM

MLC's S.M.A.R.T. program for Pre-K through grade 2 students found itself in need of space at the beginning of this school year. The elementary teachers met to think creatively how best to use our limited available space. They found a (nearly) empty locker room on the north end of the building begging to be used. For the past few years, this locker room has become a storage area. After a clean-out (thank you, Renee Toutges) and some carpentry work on the walls (thank you, Josiah Stoesz), Mrs. Fast and Miss Knutson began to do their magic. What was once a room waiting to become a locker room is now a S.M.A.R.T. room!

S.M.A.R.T. is a program consisting of fun, physical activities for developing and enhancing large and fine motor skills, balance and coordination, visual efficiency, eye-hand coordination, attention, and much more. MLC has participated in this program since 2008. Our youngest students are excited to use their muscles, and teachers are glad to give students the opportunity to get some energy used up. Students don't even realize they are developing their brains and readying for more complex learning as they get older.

To find out more about the benefits of a S.M.A.R.T. program, go to <https://www.actg.org/smart.html>

Stimulating
Maturity through
Accelerated
Readiness
Training



L to R: Caleb Harder, Theo Nickel, Caden Adrian, Laeklen Jurries on the balance beam.



At left: Caleb Harder demonstrates balancing on the wobble board and (below) crawling on the mat.

Above: Laeklen Jurries jumping on the trampoline



Above: Caden Adrian building muscles on the monkey bars.

MAKING GOOD USE OF OUR SPACE IN THE SMART ROOM

Over the years, MLC Art Teacher Mrs. Holly Penner has had a moving classroom. When she first came to MLC five years ago, an art room was set up in the cafeteria. A lot of time was spent setting up and taking down in preparation for classes. She then moved into the science lab sharing the space with Mrs. Kutch. Scheduling art classes between science classes was a challenge, and sometimes Mrs. Penner had to move to a classroom, but it worked. Last year's art classes were in what was a shared space (with Mrs. Klassen) called the Suess Room.

This year, Mrs. Penner and her art supplies were moved to a new space -- a room that has been known as the music room and the SMART room depending upon when you attended MLC. Art supplies have a home on shelving that is easy to access, student can spread out on tables to work on projects, and projects

5th Grade working on creating images by assembling small materials called mosaic



Above: Mrs. Penner working with Nate Toutges

Right: Jackson Stoneking finishing off a mosaic.

Below: MLC's class of fifth grade boys making great use of the spacious art room



can be left out on tables to dry, and the ability to spread out on tables to work on art projects and to have supplies at the ready is a blessing this school year.

4th Grade working on impressionism art drawing Edgar Degas hats. Might some of these hats become all the fashion?



Emmalyn Nickel pencil drawing three hats



Waylon Winters and Abbey Lepp beginning to paint their hats



Dakota McCall carefully painting his drawings of hats



Emily Johnson and Galaxie Penner picking paint colors with Mrs. Penner

5th Grade Monochromatic Ice Cream Cones

