



## Luther Elementary School Newsletter~May

Luther Families,

The month of April was a great month at Luther School. The students worked really hard in all of their core classes including reading, writing and math. The children in grades 3-5 took the Forward Exam and will be finishing that up in early May. We have had some excellent behavior as students continually follow the 4 B's - Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe and BE READY TO LEARN! The students are currently working to collect classroom coins. Once they earn 1,500 coins there will be an all school reward. The staff is super proud of all of our Luther Lightning Bolts!!

The month of May will look a bit different than in previous years. We won't be having a lot of field trips this year but we are still planning to hold some fun events for students outside. Students will still continue to work hard in their classroom and take some end of the year assessments to monitor their progress in reading and math.

Thank you for your support!  
Mr. Geiger

Below are some pictures of students in action:



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS:**

- 5/3 Early Dismissal
- 5/7 Luther Loyalty Day
- 5/10 Early Dismissal
- 5/17 Early Dismissal
- 5/24 Early Dismissal
- 5/31 Memorial Day ~No School



### Virtual Student Materials Pick-up:

During quarter #4 (April and May) the virtual student materials pick up will still take place in the back parking lot each Thursday from 3:30-5:30.



Kindergarten - Kayse Lissner and Ryder Kessen  
First Grade - Lydia Bouvier and Wyatt Darr  
Second Grade - Alissa Haas and Sofia Perez  
Third Grade - Henry Janes and Lucio Salazar  
Fourth Grade - Shauna Ebbert and Hannah Hesselbacher  
Fifth Grade - Janitza Gonzalez and Luz Maria Gonzalez Comi



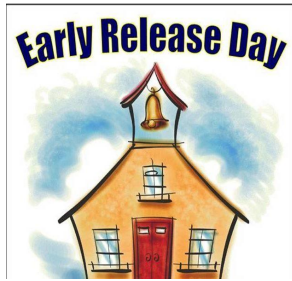
### **Safety Patrol Kids of the Month:**

Students in grade 5 have been trained by Officer Hefty as part of the safety patrol program. This group of students help children cross the streets surrounding Luther School. The patrollers do this before and after school. The patrollers for the month of April are Olivia Kuecker and Allison Padilla. They were treated to a free lunch from McDonalds!



### **Birthday Treats**

If you choose to send in a birthday treat with your child on their birthday please make sure the items are store bought. They also need to be individually wrapped and prepackaged. An example of this would be Rice Krispie bars.



### Early Release Days

Each Monday during quarter #4 (April & May), students will be released from school at 1:30. This allows teachers to participate in professional development and collaboratively plan with grade level teams from 1:30-4:30. Students will eat lunch as normal on these days. Please be sure to have a plan in place for the early pick up. The bus system will operate on these days picking students up at 1:30 from school.



### DARE Graduation

Congratulations to all of the 5th grade DARE graduates. The ceremony was held at the FAHS Auditorium on May 20th. Audrianna Monistero-Klotz was the Luther winner of the DARE essay! Below is a picture of Luther families speaking with Jefferson County Officer Jansen and his K-9 dog.





### **Forward Exam:**

Students in grades 3, 4, and 5 will take the state of Wisconsin Forward Exam during the month of April or May. The students will take this on a chromebook and a schedule will be shared with you once we are closer to the testing window. All students will take tests in English Language Arts (ELA) and Math. In addition, students in grade 4 will take Science and Social Studies tests. The Luther staff is working hard to make sure students are prepared. Parents can help in this process by ensuring students get a good amount of sleep each night, eat breakfast in the morning and are at school on time.



### **WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR LIBRARY CLASSES?**

*Each class has a library class with Mrs. Westby two times during the ten day cycle. Each class meets for 30 minutes. We continue to do library book exchange with all the virtual students while students in- person do library checkout during library class time.*

Here is what they have been learning in that class during the month of April:

**KINDERGARTEN:** Reviewed how to login, use the touchpad and access information on their chromebook. Learned how to navigate up and down with two fingers on the trackpad. Began to understand how to use the chromebook to access internet sites to play some educational math games.

**1ST GRADE:** Introduced Google Slides and how to replace photos. Collaborated with the classroom teachers to replace photos for their research publication about animals. Practicing keyboard familiarity and alphabet location on paper.

**2ND GRADE:** Focused on keyboarding by practicing with the program Dance Mat. Began to read Gum Girl Book 3 and continued to introduce recreational reading chapter books.

**3RD GRADE:** Introduced and practiced the tools features for the state testing Forward Exam for math and ELA. Introduced emails and how to delete them. Discussed digital citizenship topics about privacy and online personal information.

**4TH GRADE:** Introduced and practiced the tools features for the state testing Forward Exam for math, ELA, science, and social studies. Deleted and cleaned out emails. Discussed digital citizenship topics about being a super digital citizen.

**5TH GRADE:** Introduced and practiced the tools features for the state testing Forward Exam for math and ELA.. Deleted and cleaned out emails. Discussed digital citizenship topics about clickbaiting and cyberbullying.



### **Important Immunization Information for 5th Grade Students Vaccine Requirement for 6th Grade Students**

The Wisconsin Student Immunization Law requires a dose of Tdap vaccine for students entering 6th grade. To be compliant with this law, parents must provide their child's school with proof of immunization or claim a waiver.

Tdap is the adolescent combination vaccine that protects against Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (Whooping Cough). One dose is required.

**All students entering 6th grade in the fall will need a Tdap vaccination or waiver by October 2021.**

- Please speak with your healthcare provider about this state law, as it is a grade requirement, not an age requirement. If your provider recommends waiting for the Tdap vaccine, please have that provider complete a Student Immunization Record form indicating a health waiver for the vaccine.

#### **Exceptions to the Tdap Requirement:**

- If your child received a tetanus-containing vaccine (such as Td vaccine after an injury), within the last 5 years of entering the grade it is required, your child is compliant and the Tdap vaccine is not required.

#### **Additional information:**

- If you plan to claim a waiver, complete the Student Immunization Record form by indicating either Health (also requires physician signature), Religious, or Personal Conviction reason. Please sign and date the form. The Student Immunization Record form can be found on the SDFSA website (Health Services).
- Please return the completed form to the Middle School Pupil Services Office or the School Nurse Office.

#### **Questions:**

- Call the School Nurse Office at 563.7805
- Email - [schoolnurse@fortschools.org](mailto:schoolnurse@fortschools.org)



Preparations for the 2021 summer school session are in full gear. **We are looking forward to restoring our in-person summer school program this summer!** If your family is interested in virtual learning opportunities, we will be offering mirrored learning academic courses for our at-home learners as well as some fully virtual camps throughout the summer.

The Summer School Session will begin on Monday, June 21st, and end on Friday, July 23rd. There will be no summer school on Friday, July 2nd and Monday, July 5th to recognize the 4th of July holiday.

The District is excited to again offer a wide variety of great classes and camps for your family to consider!



If you have any questions throughout the process, please call the Summer School Office at 920-563-7802 or email [summerschool@fortschools.org](mailto:summerschool@fortschools.org).

We hope your child will join us this summer for lots of fun!