

January 16, 2026

Dear Parents,

We've had a busy week! Mrs. Carlson and Friends have been exploring health care careers. This week they toured the Union's Occupational Therapy department. They, also, finished learning about emergencies including first-aid and CPR. In Bible, Upper Grades presented parables as a newscast. The Lower Grades tried to build towers with dried spaghetti and marshmallows. It didn't work unless they worked as a team.

**\*Orchestra**—An official start to orchestra will be January 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 11am. Practice sheets will start on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

**\*Choir Festival:** Orchestra, The Cantus Middle School Choir Festival will happen on March 5 and 6. The fee per student is \$45. Please keep an eye out for an email with more information from Mrs. Carlson this weekend.

**\*100<sup>th</sup> Day of School:** On January 21<sup>st</sup> will be the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School. We are asking that the kids wear shirts with 100 items on them. For example, a shirt with 100 stickers, a shirt with 100 googly eyes, a shirt with 100 pom-poms, or a shirt with 100 dots or hearts on them. They can proudly wear them on January 21<sup>st</sup>.

**\*MLK Jr.**—Monday is Martin Luther King Jr Day. Yes, we will be taking MAP Assessments, but we will, also, be doing special activities to honor Dr. King. Please remember that **dismissal will be at 12:15.**

**\*MAP Assessment-** Our next session of MAP Assessments will be January 19-23. We will be practicing on IXL this month. MAPS testing takes place in the morning. Please verify schedules and avoid scheduling student appointments during morning hours that week. If for some reason your child/children will miss any of the MAP Assessments you will need to make arrangements to take the Assessment ahead of time.

## Hot Lunch

*Monday*-----Mac & Cheese \$2.50

*Wednesday* -----Taco Inn--Bean Burritos & Tostadas\$3.00  
Cheesy Burritos \$3.25

*Thursday*-----Pizza \$2.00 a slice.

## Dates To Remember:

*January 19--Martin Luther King Jr Day Dismissal @ 12:15*

*January 21-----100<sup>th</sup> Day of School*

*January 19-23-----MAP Assessments*

*January 23-----Lower Grade Memory Verses duel*

**Have a Terrific Weekend!**  
**Mrs. Carlson & Mrs. Simpson**

*Mr. Adams too!*

