



# From the Principal's Desk...

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## TEACHING CHILDREN WHEN You Mean Business

"But my kids won't listen unless I get angry."

That's what parents say when we tell them to avoid using anger to get things done.

And often it's true, but only because children learn to wait until you're angry before they have to obey. You give your kids cues to know when you mean business. Those cues tell your child that it's time to respond because your action point is coming next. *There is a definite connection between **action point and anger**. Many parents use the energy from anger to finally take action. When parents learn to tighten up their action point, then they don't have to use anger as the motivator. **In fact, anger can often be a flag that your action point isn't tight enough.***

If you find that you're relying on anger to motivate your children, then it's time to make a change. First, though, you need to develop a new plan. **What signals do you want to use to indicate that it's time to clean up, or it's time to go?** Maybe you'll use the child's name and obtain eye contact and use the word "now" in the instruction.

When you're ready to make the change, talk with your children. Explain that you have been wrong in teaching them to wait until you get angry before they start obeying. **From now on you are going to tell them once, then comes the action.** If your child doesn't respond to the new cues then move right to a consequence.

You may use a warning at first as your children are learning to respond to new cues. This helps them see that you mean business, but don't add several warnings or you defeat the purpose. **Develop a routine with your kids** so that they know when discussion or delays are over and obedience is required.

*This parenting tip comes from chapter one in the book: [Home Improvement, The Parenting Book You Can Read to Your Kids](#) by Dr. Scott Turansky and Joanne Miller, RN, BSN.*



## ~November Events~



**End of 1st Quarter** will be on Friday, Nov. 3. Report cards will be sent home on Monday, Nov. 13.

**Little Caesar's Pizza Orders** Pick up will be on **Tuesday, Nov. 7** after school. We do not have freezer space to store items that are not picked up. Thank you for your support of our school marketing fund!

**Big T Night** Wednesday, Nov. 8 from 5-9pm. Come join us at Big T's for dinner! Thank you for supporting our scholarship fund.

**Fall Frolics Talent Show** Children in Preschool through 8th grade will be having a talent show on Thursday, November 10 at 6:30pm. All Students are participating. A free-will donation will be collected to benefit the music department. The 8th grade class will have an ice cream social after the show to raise money for their trip to the Wisconsin Dells.

**Picture Retakes** will be on Tuesday, Nov. 21. Please let Jodi know if you would like retakes and make sure to bring your old packet with you that day.

**Wreath orders** are due on Wednesday, Nov. 22.

**Thanksgiving Break** School will not be in session beginning Thursday, November 23 through Friday, November 24. Enjoy a wonderful Thanksgiving with your family! School will resume on Monday, Nov. 27.

**"Winter Wonderland" Craft and Vendor Sale** is the weekend of Friday, December 1 thru Sunday, December 3. Parent help is needed on Thursday, Nov. 30 to help set up. Donations are needed (baked goods, crafts, etc) and you can drop off completed projects in the school office. We will not have a rummage section for this sale. **Vendors will be needed for Saturday, so please let us know if you know of anyone that would like a table.** Please also tell all of your family and friends to come and check out all the handcrafted items, vendors and baked goods!



## "Winter Wonderland" Craft and Vendor Fair

Donations of completed projects are being collected in the school office. Bake sale items are needed. Parent volunteers would be appreciated to help set up for the sale on Thursday, Nov. 30.

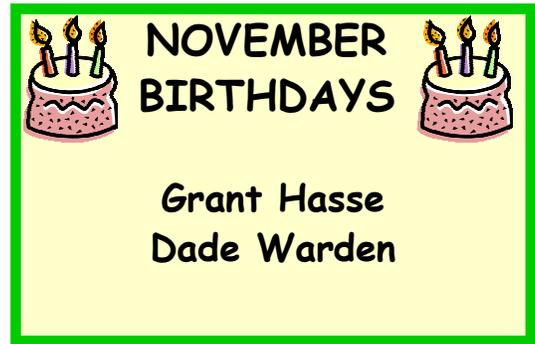
The craft sale hours are:

Friday, December 1 from 8:30am-6pm

Saturday, December 2 from 9am-3pm

Sunday, December 3 between church services

Thank you so much for all of your wonderful donations!



**What We Believe Class-** the basics about the Christian faith. Discussion based class where we talk about the importance of grace in our understanding of Jesus and our salvation, the role and dependability of the Bible, what prayer is, and what worship truly is. We'll explain the Commandments, the Lord's Prayer, baptism and the Lord's Supper. It's a great opportunity to learn and ask questions about the basics of the Christian faith. No need to bring anything with you—we'll have everything you need. Wednesday nights through November 6:30pm-8:30pm (Nov. 1st, 8th, 15th, and 29th). We will meet over at the Church. Please call the Church office if you plan on joining us for the class. 657-4840.

## Little Caesars Pizza!!

\*Delivery on **Tuesday, Nov. 7** after school

\*Please note: Freezer storage is not available for unclaimed orders!

Thank you for all your orders!!



### FEELING EXTRA GENEROUS?:

Donations of these items are always welcome and much appreciated!

Paper towels

Dish detergent

Color copy paper

Napkins

Aluminum foil

5 or 9 oz. Wax coated cups

Kitchen towels/dishcloths



### Grades K-8 Advent Service

"If You Are Missing Baby Jesus""

Wednesday, December 20 at 7:00pm

The concert band will be performing at 6:15 pm in the fellowship hall.



Preschool & Kindergarten  
Readiness Christmas Program  
Friday, December 15 at 7pm