

# QUEENS LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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**“GROW GREEN”  
“CONNECTED IN CHRIST”**



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## **WINNERS OF THE**

### **THANKSGIVING BASKETS:**

A member of Trinity Church won 2<sup>nd</sup> prize and Lucas Nestman, 1<sup>st</sup> grader at QLS won 1<sup>st</sup> prize. Congratulations!!!

## **INTERNATIONAL THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON**

Another great turnout with everyone enjoying the delicious food and looking forward to our next Thanksgiving luncheon. We'd like to thank all of Grace church members for coming to this annual event. The short program presented by Grace Kindergarten children and Queens Lutheran School children was short but sweet. We hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we did. Thank you so much for coming. Thank you Pastor Klockau for your blessing, your presence, your donations, your help and just for being there on this your first Thanksgiving Luncheon. We can't thank you enough for everything you do for and with Queens Lutheran School and we ask for the good Lord to continue to Bless you.

**E-MAIL FROM A PARENT:**

“Dear Mrs. Lee and Everyone at Queens Lutheran School, We hope you had a blessed Thanksgiving with family and friends. Part of our Thanksgiving prayer was to give thanks to QSL - - to all of you for creating such a warm and loving school for Gabriel and all of your students. We are truly blessed, and bless you for all that you do. Conversation around the dining room table tonight included me telling my family about QLS: the International Luncheon, the caring, the great learning and support. We topped off our delicious meal with pies from QLS - - the perfect ending to a great day. May God bless each and every one of you and hold you special in His heart for all you do throughout the year. With all our love, Barbara, Gabriel, Adam and Grandma.”

**YANKEE CANDLE:** If there were any problems with your order or if you’re missing any items, please let us know. We once again did quite well with this fund raiser. Thank you parents/guardians for your purchases.

**HOLIDAY PIE FUNDRAISER:** The pies were delivered on Tuesday, November 24 a day after the original date. For the most part everyone received their order, however, there were a few missing pies and we hope to get this straightened out soon. We didn’t do so bad with this fund raiser either. Thank you parents/guardians for your purchases.

**December will be a very busy month for us but as in the past we’ll get through with a little help from our friends.**

**DECEMBER CALENDAR:** Was distributed to the students. Our calendar may be found on our web page and we suggest you turn to it on a regular basis.

**CHAPEL OFFERING:** The children attend Chapel every Wednesday. 1<sup>st</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> should have offering envelopes and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> may drop their offering in the basket. We ask that you be as generous as possible. **The offering for the month of December will be sent to “Lutheran Disaster Relief”**

**CARE CARDS:** Please see attached letter. An e-mail was also received from the President of Care Cards, Inc., Hayley Kucich, it read: "Hi Annmarie, Thank you so much for inviting me to the Thanksgiving Luncheon last week. I had a wonderful time—the students of QLS are truly the kindest and most caring students and I love spending time with everyone. It is a highlight of my holiday celebrations! I hope you had a nice Thanksgiving as well. Love, Hayley

**FIELD TRIP:** Our 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade will venture by school bus to Rivington House on **Tuesday, December 1, 2009**. Our Art teacher, Mr. Hanson will go along with them as well as Ms. Costanzo, Ms. Darden and Mrs. McLaughlin. Their art work is on display at Rivington House.

**STAFF CHRISTMAS DINNER:** Hosted by Pastor Klockau will take place in the Blue Room on Monday evening December 14<sup>th</sup> for both schools.

**PROGRESS REPORTS:** Will be distributed to students in grade 3<sup>rd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> on **Friday, December 18**.

**SCHOOL CLOSED:** On Wednesday, December 23 the children will be dismissed at 12:00. We will be closed for our Christmas break 12/24 - 1/3 and reopen Monday, January 4, 2010.

**P.T.A. MEETING:** Thursday, December 10 at 6:00 p.m. We encourage all parents/guardians to attend our PTA Meetings.

**PICTURE DAY:** Was a breeze and we expect delivery before Christmas.

**BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** See attached list.

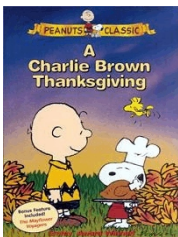
## 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade



November has flown by like the birds that are flying south. It's time already to take down the turkeys, Pilgrims and Indians that have adorned our halls these past few weeks. The children learned about Plimoth Plantation, a living museum in Massachusetts where real people dress up as characters from history to teach about life in the early 1600's. We learned that the Pilgrims relied on the knowledge of their Native American neighbors to survive in the new land. We learned about the new foods the Pilgrims came in contact with, and how Squanto taught them how to plant corn. We baked cornbread and a fried up polenta. Everyone had a homemade corn treat.



The last check on progress in the greenhouse showed something is chewing up our radish leaves. Only stems are left. We don't know what's causing this. We did get to nibble on a few lettuce leaves. The salad lovers were excited, the picky eaters spit them out or wouldn't try them at all!



The day before Thanksgiving, Grades 1-4 got together to enjoy a Charlie Brown Thanksgiving and have hot chocolate and pumpkin pie!

## **SOCIAL STUDIES - MRS. MCLAUGHLIN**

### **5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade**



The class has been learning about the first Europeans in the Americas. They have learned about the Explorers and the Conquerors. Some came with peace on their mind to spread Christianity and many others came with greed in their hearts. The Columbian Exchange brought horses, onions and disease to the Americas and in exchange Europe got tomatoes, corn and tobacco. The class will be introduced to life in New Spain and the beginning of slave trade.

### **7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade**



Fifty, Nifty United States from 13 original colonies. The 13 original colonies are the topic for this month. Who came to settle, why they came to settle and what life may be like during this time period.

## 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE - MS. COSTANZO

*From the desk of Ms. Costanzo ... 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade*

- The 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders would like to share with you the things they are thankful for this Christmas Season written in their own words, no corrections were made by me. The messages were written by each student in class. Some may have a couple of errors because some of the students were rushing:



Dear Lord, Thank you for everything. Thank you for friends, pets, teachers, food, drinks, and especially my family. Thank you for the days and when we die, let us live eternally in heaven. Thanks a lot for your lovingly love for us. In Jesus' name, Amen

*By Daniel Oh*

Dear Lord, I am very thankful for my family, friends, and pets. I am most thankful for my pets because I love animals, I'm also thankful for having a good life, food, clothes, and having a home. *Love Anthony*

Thank you Father, Thank you for my mom and dad. Thank you for my health. Thank you for my family and friends. Thank you for everything you gave me. Just thank you. Amen. *By: Breonna Kingwood*

Thank you Father, For my Friends and for my health. For my mom, dad and for this wonderful school. Thank you for everything you have given to me. Amen. *Marisabel Luciano*

Dear, Father Thank you for my family and friends. You are forgiving and kind. I Love you because you sent Jesus for me. Amen. *By Januel*

Dear Lord Thank you for friends, family and the wonderful teacher I have. Thank you for the school I'm in. Thank you the world I live in and thank you for the food you give me. I especially thank you for your love. Amen. *By Sean Nedd*

Dear Lord, I thank you for my grandmother, mother, family, and friends, without them I would be very lonely. Lord I thank you for all the things you have given me. Amen.

*Jacqueline McNeil*

Dear God, Thank you for good friends, food, a loving family and everything else that you provide for us. Thank you for this day, God and for the rest of my life I will praise your name. With Trusting Faith In You. *Fattiana Peters, 7<sup>th</sup> grade*

Dear God, Thank you for the food we eat. Thank you for supplying us with all our meals, Thank you for putting a roof over our heads. I love you. Amen. Roses are red, Violets are blue, Thank you very much, and I love you! *Anonymous* Dear God, I am thankful for my family, my friends, the food that you give us, the teachers that you give us and I am thankful for my life that you gave me. Amen. *Anonymous*

What I'm thankful for Dear God, I am thankful of my friends, pets, mother, teachers, school, food, clothes, and shelter. The thing I am most thankful for is my life, and if it weren't for God none of this would be possible. Amen. *Octavia B.*

Dear God, Please let my family have the best Thanksgiving my family can have. I am also thankful for the friends, you give me. I am grateful for the family you gave me. Thank you God for keeping me safe throughout these years. Amen. *Austin Frieu*

Dear God, Thank you so much so much for my family, pets, house and my friends. Thank you for sending your son to die for my sins. Thank you for loving me no matter what; for being by my side. You are truly amazing. I LOVE YOU GOD! *Love, Diamond Soto*

Dear Jesus, I am thankful for the family and friends that you have provided for me. I very thankful for the days that you give me to live and the education that you let me have. And I thank you for giving me a great life. *From, Maggie C.*

Dear Father, I have to Thank You for everything you have done for me. You have done many things like keeping my family safe and secure from all danger. Thank You for helping when I was sick or all alone. You have done so much. Amen. *Melanie Jelen*



Dear Lord, Thank you for me and my family. Thank you for the world. I am glad that you have allowed me to walk and discover the world. Thank you for letting me go on some amazing adventure. Amen. *Anonymous*

Dear God, Thank you for my life I live. My family I have, the love you give. The home I have, a roof over my head. My queen size bed. And you have led me the right way. My friends I love, for I do not shove them down the stairs. I thank you for the teacher. My preachers who teach me. I love everything you made. And you will never fade from my heart. *Love: Kristina Rusin*

Dear God, Thank you for all that you have given me; my parents, my clothing, my food, my education, my family and friends. Thank you for giving me a wonderful life and a place to call home. I will follow the path that you have laid out for me and be forever grateful. *Love, Jeanette N. Malinowski*

Dear God, Thank you for my mother, father, sister, brother and soon to be niece or nephew. Thank you for my friends, my teachers, my pets, and for everything I have. I am most thankful for family, food, clothing and shelter. I thank you for my church and my choir. *Love, Shannel*

THANK YOU FATHER, Thank you for Q.L.S. and the students you have blessed me with. Thank you for my son and my family. Without them I would be lost. Thank you for my friends and the everlasting friendships I have made. Amen. *Sherry Costanzo*

## **STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS:**

Thank you everyone who helped with our International Luncheon. All of the students did a wonderful job. We are so proud of them.

**We wish you a  
Blessed and Merry Christmas!**



