

First Grade News

February 26, 2016

Upcoming Events

2/28 – Family Mass, 9:00

3/4 – No School

3/5 – School Auction

3/9 & 3/10 – Blanket tying

3/14 – Awareness day



SLE of the Week

February 29–
March 3

*I use my talents
and gifts to help
all Gods creations.*

Birthdays:

March 21st – Evelyn

March 30th – Maeve

Upcoming Star of the Week:

February 29 – March 3 – Charlotte

March 7–11 – Vienna

March 14–18 – Maeve

April 4 –April 8 – Winston

April 11–15 – Holly

The star of the week can bring in sharing "show and tell" every day.

Dear first grade families,

Here is the news for the week:

- We are still in need of materials for the first grade service project. As you are out and about, please consider stocking up on the following:
 - Stuffed Easter toys, rabbits, ducks, etc. (These toys are the most needed item!)
 - Jelly beans and other Easter candy (Please make sure they are individually wrapped or in small, sealed bags.)
 - A large assortment of stickers, pencils, novelty toys (bubbles, play doh, little games)

Please place your family's contributions in the bin in our classroom by March 11. The little children and their buddies will assemble the baskets before spring break.

- We are also still collecting fleece or money donations for the first grade service project. **We have just a few families volunteering to assemble blankets so there is still lots of room☺.** If you would like to help make/tie the blankets for this project please email us or sign up outside of the first grade classroom. We will be making blankets after school on the 9th and 10th of March.
- Our March author of the month is Dr. Seuss! If you have any Dr. Seuss books at home that you are willing to loan to our classroom, we would love to read them and study Dr. Seuss' writing style.
- Dr. Seuss' birthday is Wednesday, March 2nd. To celebrate we will be holding a read-in. On this day, students are invited to wear wacky socks! If they would like, students may also choose to bring in a favorite book(s), blanket, and/or pillow to class, as long as it all fits in their backpack☺. We will be having a fun popcorn (Hop On Popcorn) snack that day if you'd like to skip snack packing that day!
- First grade Family Mass is THIS Sunday, February 28th. The first and fourth grade will be leading this Mass. We look forward to seeing you there!

Have a great weekend!

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What we are learning next week:

<u>Religion</u>	We will continue with our second step lessons. Next week our lessons will involve dealing with accidents and showing care and concern.
<u>Reading</u>	We love learning more about our inferring skills! We are using our background knowledge and clues from the text to make inferences.
<u>Writing</u>	The class worked so hard on their animal reports. We have had fun sharing them with our class. These awesome reports will be on display soon! We will continue with our study of informational writing. Next week we will continue to learn about writing directions and how-tos.
<u>Spelling</u>	We will learn that I is a letter and a word. We will review magic e.
<u>Science</u>	We will start our science unit on balance and motion. We will begin by exploring stable and unstable systems, using counterweights to change the center of mass of the systems.
<u>Math</u>	We will complete topic 10, which focuses on adding with tens and ones. We will use 100 charts, manipulatives and mental math to demonstrate sums.