



Classroom News

Hopefully you have seen our ClassDojo “Stories” and have seen pictures of what 4th grade has been up to this week in the classroom. We try to post several pictures a week so you’re able to see snapshots of our day!

We still need 2 more drivers to join us at the Oregon Food Bank on October 11th! Please sign up on Volgistics if you’re available. Thank you in advance for your help!

We spent much of this week in science conducting various experiments and demonstrating the scientific method. We have also completed several review activities and games in class. I have moved the **chapter 1 test to be on Monday**, so that we had time to conduct some fun experiments and lots of classroom review time this week. Please help your child review key concepts from the chapter over the weekend so he/she is prepared for the test on Monday.

Class novel: *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* by Judy Blume due in class on **Monday!** I look forward to starting our first class novel and the great discussions we are going to have.

Curriculum Focus for Next Week:

Math

- Use multiplication facts to find division facts
- Draw a picture and write an equation
- Topic 1 review
- Topic 1 test

Reading

- Reader’s Workshop: *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing*
- What are character traits?
- What is the difference between internal and external traits?
- Identifying character traits through picture books

Writing

- Revise and edit body paragraph of saint writing
- Draft introduction paragraph
- Revise and edit introduction paragraph
- Grammar: simple subjects and simple predicates

Science

- Chapter 1 Test
- Lab: make observations and inferences
- How does technology affect our lives?
- What is technology?

Religion

- The first creation account teaches the goodness of all God's creation
- Providence is God's loving care for all things, his will and plan for creation
- The Divine Revelation is the way God tells humans about himself and makes his plans known
- God reveals himself through Sacred Scripture

School News

Hot Lunch: A reminder that the October hot lunch order is due by September 24th.

Run 4 Cathedral: Run 4 Cathedral is quickly approaching! Next Friday is September 30th and I know the students are looking forward to a fun day full of running to raise money for our school. Please send the pledge forms in ASAP if you haven't already turned them in – they are due on Tuesday. We have 9 students with their forms turned in, so we are still in need of 17 more!!

Upcoming Events:

- Monday, September 26th - Science chapter 1 test
- Monday, September 26th - The class novel: *Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing* due in class
- Friday, September 30th - Run 4 Cathedral

Have a wonderful weekend!

All my best,

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