

First Grade News April 28th, 2017

Classroom News

Farm Project:

We started our amazing farm project this week. This unit weaves together skills and standards from reading, writing, social studies, science and math. So far, we have added a road and a house to our farms. Next week we will begin adding animals to our farms. Be sure to ask your student about their farm!

May Crowning:

May Crowning is on Wednesday, May 3rd at 8:30 in the church. To honor Mary, students are invited to bring in a flower and wear 'Sunday Best' dress. Please feel free to join us and bring your own flower to place on the altar.

Speech Festival:

The Speech Festival is coming up! Annually, Cathedral hosts a speech festival in June. We will continue this tradition with each class performing a group chorale piece on June 8th. Parents are invited to watch the chorale performances (in the afternoon, times are TBD). Along with this, first graders will participate individually in the classroom.

Start thinking about a piece your child can memorize- a poem, part of a favorite story, part of a speech... From this, three students will be selected to share their piece in front of the whole school on June 8th. Student's individual selections are due by May 12th and will be presented to the classroom during the week of May 22nd. More information will be coming soon!

New Students:

Dylan and Kayla Cardoza joined our first grade family earlier this week. We are so excited to have them with us. Please join us in welcoming the whole Cardoza family to our school community.

Note from 1st Grade Room Parents:

Did you get a chance to sign up to help for the Spaghetti Dinner?

Here's what you'll see as volunteer options on Volgistics:

Kitchen Setup 3-4:15PM, Check-In Table 4:45 - 6:30PM & 6:15-7:30PM, Greeters/Servers 4:45 - 6:30PM & 6:15- 7:30PM, Kitchen Help 4:45 - 6:30PM & 6:15- 7:30PM, Kitchen Cleanup 7-8PM

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask us! Sara & Melissa

Calling all volunteers! Surprise reader has moved to Wednesdays at 11:20 and we have lots of openings! If you would like to come in and read a favorite picture book to the first graders, please sign up via Volgistics. Surprise readers are also welcome join their child for lunch on the day they come in.

Star of the Week

April 24-28 – Grier

May 1-5 – Ivory

May 8-12- Dylan

May 15-19 – Vincent

May 22-26- Kayla

June 5-9 – Hannah

Curriculum Focus for Next Week

Religion

Next week we will learn about Saints. We will also focus on Mary.

Reading

Next week we will continue learning about determining importance. We will learn to separate important information from interesting details. We will begin learning about goats.

Writing

We are having so much fun with our opinion writing projects! We will continue learning about opinion and persuasive writing next week.

Math

Next week we will continue topic 11, the focus is on subtracting with tens and ones. We will practice subtracting numbers within 100. We will be using base ten manipulatives and mental math to subtract.

Science/Social Studies

Next week we will continue our study on farms. We will be mapping our farm and learning about a goat's purpose on a farm.

Upcoming Events

May 3- May Crowning @ 8:30

May 4- Art Show and Spaghetti Dinner

May 10- All school Rosary

May 12- Individual Speech Selections Due

May 17- Mass @ 8:30

May 23- POW @ 8:20

May 26- Early Release @ 11:30

May 29- No School