

4th GRADE

February 17-19, 2016

SLE of the week:

I try my best

We finished up *Wonder* this week with the students writing about the various themes seen throughout the novel! The students seem to really enjoy this book, and I have enjoyed all our classroom and small group discussions. We will begin the next novel study after spring break. I will let you know the book in a few weeks, so that there is plenty of time to obtain a copy of the book before it is due!

We have wrapped up several units this week, which means a few assessments next week. We will be reviewing in class for several days before each assessment, but I also encourage the students to review at home. The students will be reminded to bring their textbooks home several days before the test, so please keep an eye out for these books and assist your child in reviewing.

Conferences: March 4th is reserved for conferences with parents whose child is performing below grade level in any academic area. You will receive an email from me if we need to meet.

Family Mass: The 4th and 1st grade classes are responsible for the family Mass on **Sunday, February 28th**. We have most of the roles fulfilled, but if your child would like to participate, we are happy to have them join. If you haven't already, please email me if your family will be present at this Mass and your child would like a role!

Concert Field Trip: We will travel to the Schnitz Concert Hall for a youth concert with grades 5-8 on **Wednesday, March 9th**. We will be walking to this venue, but will need an additional chaperone to join us. Please let me know if you'd be interested!

Upcoming Author Visit: Thanks to Run 4 Cathedral funds, author, David Greenberg, will speak to all Cathedral students on **Monday, February 22**. Prior to his visit, book order forms will be sent home for students wishing to preorder one or more of his books. Mr. Greenberg will bring those preordered books with him when he visits us. Students may also order a book after the presentation and those books will be mailed to Cathedral with no shipping charges. **Make checks payable to David Greenberg.** For more information on David Greenberg, please visit <http://www.authorsillustrators.com/greenberg/bio.htm>.

Oregon Trail Overnight: We still need baby food jars and tuna cans for the trip! Please send in any extras you may also have to help other students. One baby food jar is required for each student before April 21st.

upcoming Events:

- Science Expo – Friday, February 19th 5-7pm
- Math chapter 9 test – Monday, February 22nd
 - Author visit – Monday, February 22nd
- Grammar test on verbs – Tuesday, February 23rd
- Wordly Wise lesson 5 test – Friday, February 26th

What's Coming up next week?

Religion	Reading	Writing	Math	Science	Social Studies
<p>The Beatitudes</p> <p>Focus of the month: respect</p>	<p>Reading strategy: Cause & Effect</p> <p>Small groups</p>	<p>Spelling: Suffixes, frequent spelling patterns for words with soft-syllable endings</p> <p>Grammar: Unit 3 test</p> <p>Wordly Wise lesson 5 test</p>	<p>Chapter 9 test</p> <p>Chapter 10: Developing fluency: Dividing</p> <p>Division as repeated subtraction</p> <p>Division as sharing</p> <p>Dividing 2-digit by 1-digit numbers</p>	<p>How do living things affect the environment?</p> <p>What are fossils?</p> <p>What can fossils tell us?</p> <p>Lab: energy</p> <p>Chapter 7 Review</p>	