First Grade News

April 15, 2016

Dear first grade families,

Here is the news for the week:

- Next week sixth grader, Lily Ragan, is leading a fundraiser for the Oregon Humane Society. Her goal is to raise \$500 and collect 100 items to be donated. If you would like to help with this cause, you may send in cash or check (written to The Oregon Humane Society). You may also send in cat and dog toys, treats, and/or high quality foods. Lily thanks you for your consideration in this great cause!
- April 22nd brings the return of the Annual Middle School and Alumni Dodgeball Tournament. This popular event is sponsored by the 8th grade class, supporting a charity chosen by the 8th grade. This year's class has elected to donate the proceeds to Mrs. Rae's Go Fund Me campaign to bring MakerSpaces into local children's hospitals.
 Cathedral School alumni are invited to participate in the tournament. There is no fee for alumni to play, but donations will be gladly accepted. Teams will be formed on site. Play begins at 6:00pm, ending at 9:00pm.
- First grade will be leading the school Mass next Wednesday, April 20th. We have been working hard to prepare for this Mass. Our Mass will honor our Cathedral School volunteers and we hope you can join us in prayerful celebration.
- Do you like pasta? Do you like pasta even more when someone else makes it? Monday and Tuesday, April 18th & 19th, Pastini will give Cathedral 50% of their net proceeds at the NE 15th & Broadway location. Be sure to mention Cathedral School when you order your lunch or dinner. Take out food counts, tool
- This week in MakerSpace we engineered tin foils boats. The students worked together to determine what features their boat needed in order to hold the most weights. It was great to see how excited the students were to create boats that hold weight!

Have a great weekend!

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Upcoming Events

4/18-22 – Oregon Humane Society fundrasiser

4/20 – First grade leads Mass & II:30 Dismissal

4/22 - Dodgeball Tournament

4/29- PBS assembly @8:20, token goal free dress



SLE of the Week April 18-22

I am an effective communicator.

Birthdays:

April 9th - Holly

Upcoming Star of the Week:

April 18-22 – Blake April 25 – 29 – Warren May 2 – 6 – Eva May 9 – 13 – Elliot May 16-20- Duncan

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

What we are learning next week:

Religion	We are so excited to lead Mass on April 20 th ! We hope that all of our amazing first grade parent volunteers can join us!
Reading	We have enjoyed working on our comprehension focus of determining importance. Next week, we will work on paraphrasing information.
Writing	We will continue our study of opinion/persuasive writing next week. We are working on a class project to persuade our buddy class to eat healthy foods!
<u>Spelling</u>	Our next spelling unit is an assessment unit. This is a good opportunity for us to see what lessons are really sticking with our students and what concepts we need to continue to build on.
<u>Social</u> <u>Science</u>	We will complete our last Social Science unit of the year. We will be learning about how communities are diverse and change over time. We will discuss how we can use resources to learn about our nation's past.
<u>Math</u>	We will complete topic 13, focusing on time. We will work on showing how to measure time on analog and digital clocks.