

First Grade News

May 20, 2016

Dear first grade families,

Here is the news for the week:

- Thank you to the families who have brought in products for the "Mac Attack" Macaroni & Cheese Drive. The fundraiser will run until May 27th, so there is still plenty of time to bring in Macaroni & Cheese!
- We have a few field trips coming up in the month on June. On Wednesday, June 1st we will be walking to the Portland Art Museum. Our tour is at 9:45 and we will be leaving school at 9:15. If you would like to join us as a chaperone, please let us know as soon as possible.
- We will also be visiting the Sauvie Island Center for an all day (9ish -2ish) field trip on Thursday, June 16th. This will be our big end of the year activity for 1st grade. Please let us know if you would like to drive and chaperone on this trip.
- Next Monday and Tuesday we will not be sending home our "normal" math and writing homework. Instead, please take the time to help your child practice memorizing their speech for the speech festival. They will be presenting their individual speech in class next week on Wednesday, May 25th starting at 12:30.
- If you have not had a chance to be a surprise reader and you would still like to participate, please e-mail us to set up a time.
- At our assembly on June 3rd we will have a lot to celebrate! We will be honoring our April and May Students of the Month, and announcing the Poetry Contest Winners and the CYO Student Athletes of the Year. All parents are welcome to join us.

Have a great weekend!

Upcoming Events

5/25- 8th Grade P.O.W.

5/23- Classroom speeches

5/30- NO SCHOOL -
Memorial Day

6/1 - Portland Art Museum

6/3- School Assembly



SLE of the Week

May 23-27

I try my best.

Birthdays:

May 4th - Eva

May 11th - Elliot

May 13th - Timmy & Mrs.
K

May 15th - Blake

May 17th - Warren

May 22nd - Amelia

Upcoming Star of the Week:

May 23-27 - Amelia

June 6-10 - Mercedes

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

What we are learning next week:

<u>Religion</u>	We will learn more about Saints.
<u>Reading</u>	We will be working on building reading fluency through reader's theater. Reader's theater is like a play without the costumes and backdrops. Stay tuned for more information.
<u>Writing</u>	We will continue to work on persuasive and opinion writing. Next week we will focus on a question and writing pros and cons for each side.
<u>Spelling</u>	We continue to review concepts we have learned throughout the year. Next week we will continue to focus on long and short vowel sounds.
<u>Science</u>	We will continue working on our farm study. We will be learning about the characteristics of cows and pigs.
<u>Math</u>	We will begin topic 16, focusing on fractions of shapes. We will learn about equal parts.