

First Grade News January 6th, 2017

Classroom News

Welcome back and happy 2017! We are so excited to be back at school and settling back into our learning routines. Thank you all for your support of this year's Christmas program. We are all so proud of the hard work and beautiful singing from our awesome students.

Curriculum Focus for Next Week

Religion

Next week we will learn about the holy trinity. We will also learn a little about St. Patrick.

Reading

For the next several weeks our comprehension focus will be on questioning. We will use text and images to help us understand. We will think and wonder about new learning.

Writing

For the next several weeks we will focus on procedural writing. We will study how-to writing and write a class how-to book.

Math

Next week we will focus on addition and subtraction facts to 12. We will be using a variety of strategies (doubles, near doubles, making 10 to add, etc.) to help us compute number sentences.

Science/Social Studies

Next week we will study landforms and bodies of water in our world. We will also spend some time reading about and discussing Martin Luther King Jr. and how he impacted our country.

School News

Catholic School's Week Mass (CSW)

Our annual celebration of Catholic schools, National Catholic Schools Week, will take place January 29th to February 3rd, 2017. To kick off the week, we will hold a special Mass on Sunday, January 29th, at 9:00 am. All students are invited to participate in the Mass as greeters, readers, ushers, to carry the gifts, or join the procession. If you will be attending this Mass and your children would like to participate, please go to <https://goo.gl/forms/MIj4qopSrYeHR2dH3> to complete the online form.

CSW Special Friend's Breakfast

On Wednesday, February 1st students have the opportunity to invite a special friend to Cathedral school to have breakfast, spend the morning with and attend Mass together. The morning with special friends runs from 7:50 to about 10:30. Now is the time to begin thinking about a special adult friend (grandparent, nanny, aunt/uncle, godparent) that your child would like to invite to share their school with.

Talent Show

If your child has turned in their permission slip for the talent show, auditions are next Tuesday. Please help your child to practice their act and ensure that any lyrics in a song they plan on using are appropriate for our Catholic School audience. Please see below for need to know dates.

- Tuesday, January 10, 2017, 2:30-4:00 – Tryouts
- Wednesday, January 25, 2017, 3:10-4:00 – Practice
- Friday, January 27, 2017, 11:30-3:30 – Practice
- Tuesday, January 31, 2017, 2:30-3:30 – Dress Rehearsal
- Thursday, February 2, 2017, 2:00-3:00 & 7:00-8:00 – Talent Show

Upcoming Events

January 10 - 2:30-4:00 Talent Show Auditions

January 11 - 8:20 POW by Gr. PK

January 13 - 8:20 Martin Luther King Jr. assembly by Student Council
2017-2018 Registration packets go home

January 16 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day, NO SCHOOL

January 18 - 8:30 Mass by Gr. 7

January 20 - Registration Packets due to school