

Fifth Grade News January 27th, 2017

Classroom News

Remember when packing lunches next week for all girl students to bring in something that does not need to be microwaved. We will be eating in the classroom and then the girls will be going out to recess. To make it easiest for everyone and to save time, please pack a lunch that can be eaten in the classroom. Students who have ordered hot lunch will be able to get their lunch quickly in the cafeteria before coming back to the classroom. Thank you in advance for making this next week easier during our Girl's Lunch.

We finished our STAR assessments in mathematics this week and again all students are performing at 5th grade level or higher. I am so proud of their passion and deep thinking during math class but also during Makerspace and Science. They are all so talented. **Thank you for helping students who are a little bit behind in Xtramath to find the time to practice at home!**

You may have noticed students writing more at home or bringing home smaller writing assignments they have completed in class. Please encourage them to take their time when writing at home by editing and revising their work. We are connecting our writing to reading and social studies, so there have been a lot of opportunities for growth. I have already seen a noticeable difference this week of students building more complex vocabulary and sentence structure.

Catholic Schools Week is next week with more details below. Our curriculum will be lighter as we focus on our faith and expressing it through our different programs throughout the week. I am looking forward to seeing you all at Mass on Sunday, Talent Show or Special Friends Breakfast. Please note that our Special Friend needs to be 18 years old or older.

Curriculum Focus for Next Week

Religion

Next week we will be meeting in the gym to start off our day with prayer with the whole school. If students arrive late please encourage them to go straight to the gym as everyone will be there with their backpacks.

Reading

Next week we will be explaining the relationship between the Inuit and modern technologies using details from the text. Students will also be reading and comprehending informational texts independently and proficiently.

Writing

Next week we will explain how Canada's available natural resources are used to meet the needs and wants of Canadians by writing quotes accurately.

Math

Next week we will learn to estimate quotients involving decimals.

Science/Social Studies

Next week we students will explain the contributions of enslaved Africans to the colonies. Students will also compare and contrast the differences between British colonists and Native American groups that lead to both cooperation and conflict.

School News

Catholic Schools Week Schedule

Sunday, 1/29

Faith, Knowledge, Service: In Our Parish

*Mass at St. Mary's, 9 a.m.

*Open House, 10- 12:30

Monday, 1/30 Faith, Knowledge, Service: In Our Community

*Author Visit, Mike Thaler

Tuesday, 1/31:

Faith, Knowledge, Service: In Our Students

*2nd and 4th grade to St. Vincent DePaul School

*Buddy classes make cards for local citizens in service

Wednesday, 2/1

Faith, Knowledge, Service: In Our Nation

*Special Friends Breakfast 7:50- 8:20 students with last names from H-M; 8:20- 8:50 students with last names from N-Z; 8:50- 9:20 students with last names A-G

*Mass, 9:30 a.m.

*Virtual Field Trips using Nearpod

Thursday, 2/2

Faith, Knowledge, Service: In Our Vocations

*Talent Show, 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Friday, 2/3

Faith, Knowledge, Service: In Our Families

*Empathy Kick Off Assembly

*Family Groups play board games

Upcoming Events

- Girls Lunch, Monday-Friday, January 30th

-Religion Test on Chapter 7, Monday, January 30th

-Field Trip with 1st grade buddies to Trinity Episcopal, Tuesday, January 31st

-Social Studies Chapter 4 Test, Wednesday, February 7th