

## **5<sup>th</sup> Grade News April 28, 2017**

Come join our celebration at Opsis on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All of our hard work will be displayed for family and friends to admire. It will also be exciting to see how other 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes have completed their final projects. Crystal and myself will be there for the majority of the night, so please stop by and say hello. Opsis is located at 920 NW 17th Ave, Portland, OR 97209. We can't wait to see you there!!

We still have 2 openings for volunteers to visit our final projects and tour Opsis. Please sign up through Volgistics to get an opportunity to view your child's final project early. We will be leaving Cathedral at 1:50 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3rd and returning at 3:05 p.m. I wanted to make sure that all students were able to view their final project and see the designs created by other schools. This might be a wonderful opportunity for parents who may be busy with the Art Show on Thursday. Thank you in advance for volunteering and making this field trip a success!

We have another field trip to Orchestra Rocks Interactive Concert at Arlene Schnitzer Hall. It will be on May 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:15-1:15 p.m. We have 1 spot available for a parent to come on this wonderful musical adventure. Please sign up through Volgistics as soon as possible and thank you again for your time.

### **Curriculum Focus for Next Week**

#### **Religion**

Students will learn that the Holy Spirit helps us on the journey to holiness. Students will identify Saints as models of heroic virtue who listened and responded to the Holy Spirit's call.

#### **Reading**

Students will finish their final paper about two themes from their small group reading novels and summarizing their books. Students will also create an i-trailer about their novel and present them in class.

#### **Writing**

We will continue with our unit on Poetry. Students will create lymrics, haikus, and free verse poems. Students will recognize the different spelling patterns for oi and oy depending on their placement in a word. Next week, students will continue to use adjectives correctly in grammar.

#### **Math**

Next week students will use objects and reasoning to find the volume of solid figures. Students will take a test on Chapter 12.

## **Science/Social Studies**

We will start our last Science Standards on developing a model to describe that matter is made of particles too small to be seen. Students will measure and graph quantities to provide evidence that regardless of the type of change that occurs when heating, cooling, or mixing substances, the total weight of matter is conserved.

## **School News**

May Crowning is on Wednesday, May 3rd at 8:30 in the church. To honor Mary, students are invited to bring in a flower and wear 'Sunday Best' dress. Please feel free to join us and bring your own flower to place on the altar.

The Speech Festival is coming up! Annually, Cathedral hosts a speech festival in June. We will continue this tradition with each class performing a group chorale piece on June 8th. Parents are invited to watch the chorale performances (in the afternoon, times are TBD). Along with this, students kindergarten through 8th grade, will participate individually in the classroom. Pre-kindergarten students can choose whether they would like to participate in their classroom.

Start thinking about a piece your student can memorize- a poem, part of a favorite story, part of a speech... From this, 3 students will be selected to share their piece in front of the whole school on June 8th. Student's individual selections are due by May 12th and will be presented to the classroom during the week of May 22nd. More information will be coming soon!

Please see the attached documents for more information as well as the sign up form. The sign up form and a copy of the speech selection should be sent to the classroom by May 12<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!

## **Upcoming Events**

Opsis Field trip, Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> from 1:45-3:05

Mathematics Chapter 12 Test, Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

Orchestra Rocks Interactive Concert, Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:15-1:15 p.m.

Architects in Schools Student Exhibition Celebration, Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:30 p.m.