First Grade News

March 11, 2016

Dear first grade families,

Here is the news for the week:

- Thank you all so much for your generous Easter basket donations!
 Also, thank you to those who helped make blankets or donated
 fleece. We will donate 34 blankets to CARES NW along with 50
 Easter baskets!
- We will be assembling Easter baskets on Thursday, March 17th from 8:45–9:15 in the first grade classroom. If you would like to volunteer to help with this, please let us know.
- The lost & found is once again getting very full. At Spring Break we will be donating anything still in lost & found to charity. Please take some time in the next few weeks to see if anything belongs to your family. There are a lot of plaid items, uniform sweatshirts, fleeces, and other uniform items mixed in athletic wear, lunch boxes and water bottles. Items with a name are always returned to the owner, unfortunately many, many items turn up in lost & found without a name. You can help us by labeling your student's belongings, including coats and uniform items.
- Next week is spirit week! We have many fun activities and dress up days planned. If your child does not wish to participate in a particular dress up day they may wear their school uniform. Here are some details:
- Monday Awareness Day: wear your family group color & clashing extras <u>Tuesday</u> – Board Game Day: wear your favorite decade of clothing and bring a board game

Wednesday - Stations of the Cross: wear uniform

<u>Thursday</u> – St. Patrick's Day Presentation: add green items or add your family's heritage to the uniform (socks, necklace, and/or shirt with <u>uniform bottoms</u>

<u>Friday</u>- Cathedral Bowl: wear sports gear/your favorite team

Have a great weekend!

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Upcoming Events

3/14-3/18- Spirit Week

3/14 – Awareness day

3/16- Stations of the Cross @8:30

3/17 - Easter basket assembly

3/18- Cathedral Bowl @2

3/21-3/25 - Spring Break



SLE of the Week

I exhibit curiosity and enthusiasm for learning.

Birthdays:

March 21st – Evelyn March 30th – Maeve

Upcomina Star of the Week:

March 14–18 – Maeve April 4 –April 8 – Winston April 11–15 – Holly April 18–22– Blake

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

What we are learning next week:

Religion	We will review our second step lesson work. These lessons have focused on problem solving and feelings.
Reading	We will review our comprehension skills next week! We are focusing on the skills of inferring and visualizing.
Writing	We will review the features of informational texts and writing next week.
<u>Spelling</u>	We will review multiple spelling strategies next week.
<u>Science</u>	We will continue our science unit on balance and motion. We will explore objects and systems that turn on a central axis.
Math	We will finish topic 11, which focuses on subtracting with tens and ones. We will use 100 charts, manipulatives and mental math to determine differences.