

May 20, 2016

The Oregon Trail Overnight was a HUGE success and the students had a blast! Thank you so much to our brave parents who came on the trip with us. We really appreciated all of your help and participation!!

StE of the Week:

I try my best

The wagons have been completed and look fantastic! I encourage you to come and check them out. Some are in the cases downstairs by the office, and the others are in the library on display. The students did a great job being creative with supplies and things they had, and the wagons themselves all look amazing. Kudos to the parents who helped out with construction!

The students have been doing a great job reading *Hatchet* and discussing their journals and thoughts with the class. We have worked hard to identify several themes and continue to track these themes throughout the book. After the completion of this book, the students will write a paper on the themes, problems and solutions, and character traits demonstrated. We will also watch the movie A Cry in the Wild, which is based on Gary Paulsen's *Hatchet*. The students will then compare the similarities and differences between the book and the movie. These will be our last big writing projects for the year!

Mac Attack - Service Project: Second and sixth grade students are partnering with the Sunshine Division to help fight hunger. This is a two-week competition that ends next Friday on May 27nd. We compete against other schools in the Archdiocese. Please help us with this battle against hunger by bringing in boxes of Mac and Cheese to your child's classroom starting May 16th.

<u>Speech Contest</u>: our classroom speech competition will be on Thursday, May 26th. Please help your child prepare and have their speech memorized and well practiced by this date. The school presentations will be on Thursday, June 9th. All classes will participate with class presentations as well as individual students from each class who have won the classroom presentations.

Upcoming Events:

- Chapter 13 math test Thursday, May 26th
- Speech contest classroom presentations Thursday, May 26th
 - No School Monday, May 30th

What's Coming Up Next Week?

Religion	Reading	Writing	Math	Science	Social Studies
Reflect on God's personal invitation Recognize that God created people to live in families and wants family members to love one another Focus of the month: work ethic	Hatchet reading groups	Opinion writing Grammar: Object pronouns and using I and me Spelling: double letters make one sound, some sounds are spelling in more than one way	Problem solving: draw a picture Chapter 13 review Chapter 13 test Points, lines and planes		Change and technology Oregon today Linus Pauling Chapter 4 review