

## News from Mrs. Scipioni



**Religion** – As October is the Month of the Rosary, Grade 4 will be learning about the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary! We will reflect on them as we learn to pray the Rosary together. We will also learn about Our Lady of Fatima and what happened when she appeared to the three children as we enjoy the video *The Day the Sun Danced*. We are excited for this important month!

**ELA** – Since we are reading about animals in both ELA and Science, Grade 4 will be working on using the writing process to write informative paragraphs about animals. During October we will use the writing process to research, take notes in our graphic organizers, and write our first drafts, which we will proofread, edit, and revise. We will add visuals as well! We will also continue using Close Reading strategies of re-reading and going back into the text to find details to support answers, as we began in September. We will continue to write responses to literature, including details from text to support our topic sentences. In Grammar we will be identifying subject and predicate as well as compound and complex sentences.

**Social Studies** – Grade 4 will be visiting with the Native Americans this month!! We will meet the Algonquian and the Iroquois. We are looking forward to receiving our weekly newspapers and online access to our Social Studies program, Studies Weekly. The online component will have articles, fun activities, videos, quizzes, and games all relating to the topics we are studying. Our Social Studies Center books on the Native American groups are awesome with great pictures for us to see how they lived.

**Science** - As mentioned above, in Science we are enjoying learning about animals and also plants. Specifically, we are identifying both structures and behaviors in animals and plants that help them to adapt to their environments, survive, grow, and reproduce. Our upcoming trip to Minard's Farm ties in nicely to this, as we will be apple and pumpkin picking! .

**Math** - The fourth grade is enjoying our new Math enVision Math program! October will find us multiplying, estimating, and using arrays and partial products as we learn strategies and properties to multiply by 1 digit numbers. Using Zearn helps us to practice and review everything we are learning each day.

Grade 4 is a busy and happy place! If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to me at [debra.scipioni@kingstoncatholic.org](mailto:debra.scipioni@kingstoncatholic.org)!

God bless!