



What is new in the classroom.....

I hope that everyone had a great weekend. Time sure flies when you have a ton to get done! Chain of Lights, while it was crummy weather, our turnout was great!

On Thursday, December 21st we will be partaking in a dress down day. The students are to wear appropriate jeans (no leggings or athletic pants) and red and green. The cost will be \$1.

Progress reports will be ready on Edge2day.com on Friday, December 8th. Please be sure to check out where your child's grades are at and come up with a plan to improve them in the coming weeks and when we get back from Christmas break.

Our next book report for quarter two will be a sandwich report. This book report will be due on January 12th. If you finish it early, please turn it in! I love to get ahead in my grading!

On Wednesday, we will have Father Dan time with the second-floor classes. We will be discussing Advent and penance.

We will be completing our Circle of Grace lesson on Thursday. If more time is needed, I will be finishing up on Friday.

Mark your calendars for our annual Kindergarten through eighth grade Christmas program on December 20th at 6 PM. I am looking forward to hearing all of our students sing about Christmas.

It was great to see so many of you at Chain of Lights on Sunday. What a great event to get everyone into the spirit of the season.

Our Christmas Party will take place on Thursday December 21st at 10:30 AM. Ava's mom will be in touch for anything we need for the party.

Please remember to dress for the weather. It looks like winter and the chill will be here for a while! Also, please label all of your child's winter gear. I do not know whose is whose, and sometimes even your child doesn't know!

Picture retakes are December 7th. Please let Mrs. Henault know if you are having pictures retaken.

We will have two Masses this week one took place today and the next one will take place on Friday, December 8th, due to the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation. I would like to thank in our reader Ryan G, our greeters Carsyn and Josh, our altar servers, Connor, Annabelle and Ryan B and our chorus members. Please join us at St. Brigid's for Mass on Thursday.



Onto Business.....

Religion: This week we will talk about the season of Advent and its significance in our lives. We have finished up our first unit and will have a final open book test on Tuesday. Each Wednesday we will gather with our floor for an Advent prayer.

Math: With a quick review of addition with larger numbers today, we will then move to addition with three or more addends. Before we break for Christmas, we will have a fact test. After this test we will continue to work on addition, but move down to 4.5 minutes. We will have a few check ins before the test.

Science: Our study of vertebrates is going well. This week we learn to identify characteristics of classes of vertebrates, and describing their life cycles. Next week we will complete our study guide and our test will be next Wednesday, December 13th.

Reading: We are enjoying Dear Mr. Henshaw. Leigh has just found out that his dad, has a girlfriend with a son and he feels betrayed by him. This is the turning point in the book. Leigh starts to make strides in his friendships and with his mom.

Social Studies: Students did a FABULOUS job on their Beautiful Northeast Lesson 1 test on Friday! I am so impressed with their positive attitudes toward learning in social studies and it shows up on their tests!!! Bravo Grade 4!!! We begin lesson 2 this week learning about important resources of the Northeast such as grapes/vineyards, cranberries/bogs, Vermont maple syrup, and minerals such as granite in New Hampshire quarries and marble in Vermont.

Language: We will study Unit 7 in vocabulary and spelling this week. Both tests will be next week due to the half day on Friday, as we will not meet for ELA & SS Class. In addition to vocabulary and spelling, we will continue in ELA Chapter 2 and explore nouns ending with y, plural nouns with special plural forms, and common and proper nouns.



Our Calendar....

December 4th: MASS 9 AM St. Brigid's

December 6th: Calendar Raffle begins

December 7th: Picture Retake Day

December 8th: Mass 9 AM, Noon Dismissal, Pizza Slips due

December 8th: Progress Reports available on Edge2day.com

December 11th: Mass 9 AM, St. Brigid

December 15th: Pizza Friday, Christmas Shoppe, PTG Christmas movie

December 17th: Band plays at Raymour and Flanigan.

December 18th: Mass at St. Brigid 9 AM

December 20th: EXTENDED DAY ends at 5 PM

December 20th: Christmas Program 6 PM

December 21st: Winter Begins, Noon Dismissal, Christmas party in the classroom

December 25th: Merry Christmas!

January 1st: Happy New Year!

January 3rd: Return to school

January 8th: Mass 9 AM, Assumption Church

Have a great week!

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5th Grade Math: Last week we focused on up to 4-digit by 2-digit multiplication. This week I will focus on 3-digit x 3-digit multiplication. We will have many opportunities for the students to show what they know, and practice. We will continue with our fact check-ins.

5th Grade Science: We will finish the first part of chemistry this week and have our test next Wednesday. This week we will focus on describing covalent bonding and identifying the structural formula of a molecule. We will complete our study guide on Monday and have our test on Wednesday.

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