

## What is happening in the classroom...

I hope that everyone had a fun weekend! It was a very low key stay at home weekend for me! It was much needed! Happy Fall!!!!

Just a reminder that their book report book is due on October 30<sup>th</sup>. I am looking forward to reading and listening to their reports. The kids always tell me about their book and let me know how much they are enjoying it!

That makes my heart happy!!!!

Thank you to the parents that made our Grandparent's Day celebration a success! The treats and drinks were great! Thank you! It was great to meet the many grandparents of my students! Pictures will be on FACTS soon.

Jogathon is just around the Corner! Thank you for sending in the permission slips and the T-shirt sizes so quickly. Please turn in your pledge sheets as we only have 3 students that have turned them in currently.

MAP testing for the class will be completed this week. We will be testing on Wednesday (Math and ELA) and Thursday (Reading). Please be sure to have them eat breakfast and be ready to test right away in the morning.

Quarter 1 progress reports are available next Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup>. You will login into the family portal, and you will see gradebook/report Card. This is their progress report. If you see any zeros or INC, those are assignments that Can be turned in for a grade. Check out to see if your child has any assignments below a 65% that they Can redo for full Credit.

The students are participating in the Mass this week. I will tell the students before the weekend who is doing what at the Mass so they can tell you. You are welcome to attend the Mass on Monday. The students that signed up to be readers will receive their reading/petitions the week before in order to practice. Please help your child practice their reading/petitions before the Mass. Thank you to our readers Romero, Pauline and Benyanhyira and our chorus members.

When your child is sick, if you email me or call the office, I will try to send all work at the end of the day via email or a sibling. This way your child can get the work done, if they are feeling better. If they need any help with their work, please let me know so I can help them in class upon their return to school. If your child happens to be sick or miss school due to an appointment, please know that the work they missed needs to be turned in within two days of the day they were out.

It is hard to believe that we already have our first long weekend coming up in a few weeks. Mark your calendars for no school on Friday, October 10<sup>th</sup> and Monday, October 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Onto Business....

Religion: Our goal this week is to finish chapter one and have a test on Tuesday of next week. We will review on Monday and test on Tuesday. We will complete a study guide together, so they have the information to study.

Math: What a fun week we will have in Math! This week we take on number lines and money! We will learn how to make change with the least number of coins and bills. It is extremely important that the students ALWAYS use a dollar sign and decimal. We will also work with number lines. Look for the 4 squares or worksheets to aid you in homework and how to answer the questions. We will have less homework this week due to MAP testing!!

Science: Animal, plant and fungus cells are the topic this week. We will learn to describe each one and to spot their differences. We will identify their parts and where they are located on each cell and how location may differ from cell to cell. To access Nancy Larson materials online go to <a href="https://www.nancylarsonpublishers.com">www.nancylarsonpublishers.com</a> username: assumption password: walrus

Reading: <u>Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing</u> is becoming a favorite of the students! Fudge keeps us on our toes and laughing most of the time. This week we found out how Fudge becomes a flying bird and how he celebrates his 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday. The Birthday Bash is my favorite Chapter! Have the kids tell you about Fudge's three friends and how each of them behaves.

ELA: We will continue to review the four types of sentences: declarative, interrogative, imperative and exclamatory sentences, as well as writing and editing compound sentences. We have scheduled MAP testing on Wednesday and Thursday, so there will be no vocabulary or spelling tests this week.

Social Studies: This week students will explore the difference between weather and climate. Students will learn that precipitation and temperature are factors of climate and that the three main factors that affect the climate of a region are distance from the equator, distance from a large body of water, and land elevation.



## Our Calendar....

Happy Birthday to JJ on 9/25. We hope you have a great day!

September 22<sup>nd</sup>: Mass 9 AM, MAP testing continues, Band, Fall Begins

September 23<sup>rd</sup>: XC Practice, chorus, Taco Tuesday

September 24th: FD Time 1:15, XC meet at St. Bernadette's MAP testing 4th/5th

September 25th: No XC practice, MAP testing 4th/5th

September 26th: Pizza Friday

September 27th and 28th: Catholic Schools Appeal Weekend Thank you to those that are promoting our school

September 29th: No School Mass, Band, The NED Show 9:30 AM

September 30<sup>th</sup>: XC practice, Chorus, Pizza Money due

October 1st: No Father Dan time

October 2<sup>nd</sup>: XC Practice

October 3<sup>rd</sup>: Ice Cream Friday, Pizza Friday and Progress Reports available on FACTS

God's Blessings on a great week!

Mrs. Olson (11)

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math: Our lessons this week will focus on decimals greater than one and comparing and numbering numbers and decimals. With MAP testing this week, I will only see the kids on Monday, Tuesday and Friday. I will limit my homework this week due to testing.

Parents, if your child is having a problem figuring out what to do on their homework, ask them for their 4 square. We complete this in class, and it shows them how to solve each problem on their homework. Also, if your child has REDO at the top of their paper or receives a 65% or below, they should redo that assignment.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science: We will begin our study of stars this week. Not the Hollywood stars either! Hee hee! We will identify and describe the stages in the life cycle of stars and their life cycle. I hope to have their study guides completed on Friday for a test on Tuesday. If they do not get completed, we will complete them Monday and we will have our test on Wednesday.