

Welcome Back from Break!

Mrs. Schwamborn's Class News, Week of February 26th



📅📖 Classroom Happenings

I hope you've had a terrific vacation. We're all looking forward to the final trimester of the year, with all the excitement it brings. With that being said, we still have a lot of ground to cover. Third graders will be expected to start being more independent and show more effort as we get ready to enter fourth grade. I have noticed that some students don't seem to be putting in the effort

or even trying. Every student is responsible for their own learning. I can guide them, lead them and help them (if they are trying) but I can not do it for them. I am hoping that we all return from this week off recharged and ready to give it 100%.

We will continue topic 8 in math which focuses on rounding, estimating sums and estimating differences. We will finish up topic 8 next week with a **test on Wednesday, 3/6**. Topic 9 focuses on adding and subtracting fluently within 1,000. We are still working on mastering our facts. This group seems to really be struggling with this as many of them are taking their 12's for a third time. This is very concerning because they should know these from previous tests. The only new fact is 12x12. I have about 4 students who have completed the challenge and passed the "All Facts" test. These students are ready for ice cream. I hope to have this completed before we leave for Easter Break. Students will need to have these facts mastered in order to understand our unit on fractions. **PLEASE PRACTICE THESE FACTS EVERY DAY!**

I sent home every one's Journey Textbook Volume 1. We have completed the first half of this curriculum. This book, along with volume 2, will need to be returned to BOCES at the end of the school year. This week we will be working on Lesson 16. The class will be reading **Judy Moody Saves the World**. We will be learning more about story structure and identifying the characters, setting and plot of the story. Our spelling words this week all have the Vowel + r sounds in air/fear.

We will continue to learn about early exploration leading into colonization. The explorer report/project is due on Friday, March 1st. **LATE assignments** will lose 10 points automatically.

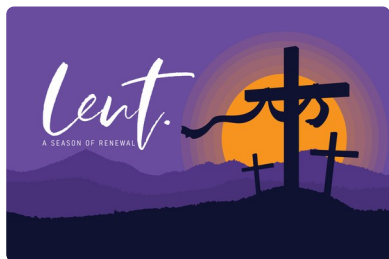
Each student was given over a month to complete this assignment. I have received a few already and they are amazing! Very nice work, a great amount of effort was put into them and it shows. I am excited for the children to share their work with their classmates.

We are still learning about weather during our science time. This unit will wrap up before Easter break. I have some students who have yet to turn in any completed science packets. **I will be sending these home this week to be completed for homework. The end of the trimester is fast approaching and these need to be turned in for grades.**

I have moved desks around as I do after each break. Please speak with your child about the importance of learning how to work with different people. We may not like everyone but we need to **RESPECT** everyone and find a way to work together. There has been a lot of tattling and complaining about others. Sometimes our papers may get on someone else's desk or we may be kicking the table and not realizing it. Rather than getting mad it is important to learn to address our classmates with kindness. It is also important to stop or change behaviors when others are bothered by it.

School Mass

The third grade will be hosting this month's school mass. Mass will be Friday, March 1st at 1:00 pm. I sent home parts with each child who wanted a speaking a role. I had a few students who requested other jobs and stated that they did not wish to speak/read at the mass. I honored everyone's wishes and did not want to force anyone into anything. Everyone is participating in a way they are comfortable with. We will be practicing daily in the classroom. Please work with your child on their part at home so they are comfortable. We hope to see you all at the mass on Friday. Please be aware that the mass is scheduled at the church but may change depending on weather. If it is raining/snowing the mass will be at the school.



Season of Lent

We are in the season of Lent. To help prepare our hearts during this season, the third grade has been praying a decade of the Rosary everyday and participating in 10 minutes of silent prayer and reflection. During this time, the children write in their Lent Journal and listen to songs of praise and worship. There is NO

TALKING during this time as they are encourage to reflect on the journal prompt and the music they are listening to. I also sent home a 40 days of Crosses challenge. Children are strongly encouraged to participate in this activity.

First Holy Communion

Saturday March 9th is the Communion Retreat. Mrs. Dillingham emailed all the details home. All children making their Communion will need to attend the retreat. If there is some reason why you can not attend, please email Mrs. Dillingham. Please make every effort to attend this retreat and all Communion related activities.

Communion is a very special sacrament and is so much more than just the party afterwards. Dress requirements for both boys and girls were provided as was the date of the practice. Please reach out with any questions as soon as possible so we may address them and work them out.



Parent Social and Mixer



Parent Social and Mixer at Alize Brewing Company 10560 Main Road Aquebogue

March 15, 2024 5:30 pm

Dinner, Dancing, Socializing, 50/50, Chinese Auction

Watch your email this week for your invitation

If you have a good/service you would like to donate to our Chinese Auction please contact the Main Office Office@sjp2regional.org

The Committee will also accept baskets/gifts/and items to auction off
[Donation Letter Parent Social and Mixer.pdf](#)

SJP Stuff

Clubs have started. Please be sure to update PUP if your child is staying. Extra help is on Mondays 2:30-3:00. Please update PUP if your child is staying for extra help. Remember to return your registration packets as soon as possible. Be sure to label your child's belongings. Sweatshirts have begun to accumulate, it's hard to tell whose is whose if they are not labeled. **Remember music folders and recorders every Friday.**



Is your child sick? Please do not send them into school. We understand a sick child staying home can be a huge inconvenience, but please keep them home if they are sick. We do not want to get our teachers or other students sick. As a reminder, your child must be FEVER free, VOMIT free and DIARRHEA free WITHOUT medication for 24 hours in order to return to school.



Important Dates

Friday, March 1st - Third Grade Mass @ 1



Saturday, March 9th - Communion Retreat @ St. Isidore Church 10-1

Friday, March 15th - Parent Social at Alize

Wednesday, March 27th - Early Dismissal at 11:00

Thursday, March 28th - Holy Thursday **NO SCHOOL**

Friday, March 29th - Good Friday **NO SCHOOL**

Monday, April 1st - No School Easter Break begins.

Monday, April 8th - School Resumes

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