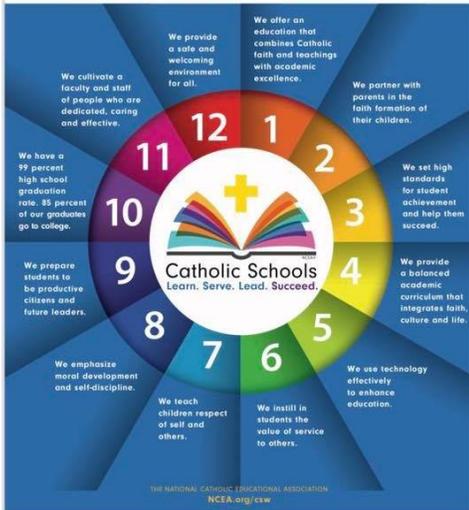


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## What is happening in the Classroom...

I hope everyone had a great weekend. It flew by for me. I worked around the house and on school stuff on Saturday and ran errands on Sunday!

CSW activities are coming together for next week. I hope to have a wonderful week celebrating our Catholic school!

Assumption has certainly become a part of my family and thank you, of course for sharing your kids with me! They truly make my day each and every day!

The book reports are all graded and will be handed back this week! They were phenomenal. The kids did a great job with the coloring, cutting, and writing portion of their reports. I have to

say that these were some of the best reports I have read. Thank you for helping them and guiding them to turn in top notch work.

Our class will be taking part in the Zaner-Bloser Handwriting contest in the next week or so. We are trying to learn all of our letters by then. Most of the kids have good grasp on the lower-case letters, but we will need to work on the upper-case letters soon.

I have seen that a few of our 4<sup>th</sup> grade families have had winners in our calendar raffle. Thank you for participating in the fundraiser and fingers crossed in the next week or so you are winner too!

This is the last week of Quarter 2. Please be sure that you are checking out Edge for your child's grades. If there is an INC, your child was sick and needs to complete the assignment, if there is a Zero, they did not turn in the assignment and need to complete it and turn it in to me by Friday. On Friday, you will not be able to access the grades as we are preparing the report cards for release on Friday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.

Mark your Calendars for February 13-February 21<sup>st</sup> as this is our February break. The kids will have a week off! Enjoy this time with your kids.



## Onto Business....

Religion: We are finishing up our study of our Worship of God. We have learned very easy ways to offer our love to God and others. This week we look at how the saints have done the same things in their lifetime. We will have a test over Chapter 7 on Friday. We will study in class on Wednesday and Thursday.

Math: We had a great week last week! The students were rock stars when it came to multiplying 3-digit numbers. We now are multiplying money and 4-digit numbers this week. We will look at rounding to estimate our multiplication problems. These are the steps that will ready us to conquer two digit by two digit multiplication next week. Please work at home on multiplication facts as often as you can. This will only make the next few math concepts so much easier. Thanks!

Science: A new area of study begins this week. We start off by identifying characteristics of ecosystems and then we move into the characters of these ecosystems, the producers, consumers, and decomposers. With our characters in place, we then look at food chains and food webs within our ecosystem.

Reading: Last week Mr. Popper tobogganed down some stairs following Captain Cook as he was tied to his wrist. This week Captain Cook gets a bit lonely and begins acting strangely. With some help Mr. Popper gains a companion for Captain Cook. What is the penguin's name and what begins to happen quickly after \*it\* arrives!?

Social Studies: We finished up our Unit on "We the People" and "Strengths of Our Freedom" on Friday. I am absolutely AMAZED at how much the students learned and how hard they studied for the Unit test! I am so proud of their test scores and I know you will be too! This week we will begin a new unit on "The Beautiful Northeast" starting with its incredible scenery and magnificent natural formations.

Language: Students will continue working in their vocabulary workbook this week to complete a Review of Lessons 5-8 that will wrap up our work in Unit 2. Our spelling and vocabulary tests will be on Friday. We will also wrap up our unit on Nouns mid-week and begin the third unit on Verbs in our Language Arts textbook.



## Our Calendar...

Happy Birthday to Vivian 1/27 and Brandon 1/31! We hope you have a great birthday!

January 25<sup>th</sup>: Mass in the Classroom today

January 29<sup>th</sup>: Quarter 2 ends

January 31<sup>st</sup>-February 5<sup>th</sup>: Catholic Schools Week

February 1<sup>st</sup>: Quarter 3 begins

February 2<sup>nd</sup>: Groundhog Day

February 5<sup>th</sup>: Report Cards released on Edge2day.com (in the evening)

February 12<sup>th</sup>: Valentine's Day Party (Yes, we will send out Valentine's to our classmates. I will have more info on that next week.)

February 13<sup>th</sup>-February 21<sup>st</sup>: February Break

February 17<sup>th</sup>: Ash Wednesday

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5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math: Our tasks this week include dividing larger numbers (yes, bigger than what we have been!) order of operations, and dividing money. The students have done a great job with the division with a double-digit divisor. They are rock stars!

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science: What fun we have planned for science this week. We will have a few different experiments this week as we enter our new area of study. This week we measure temperature, the mass of liquids and solids, and volume of liquids and solids.

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