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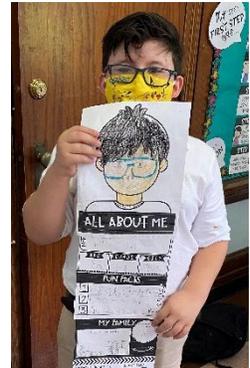
Dear Parents, Guardians, and the St. Joseph School and Parish Community,

Welcome back! For those new to our community, this *Week in Review* newsletter seeks to give insight into the happenings here at St. Joseph School. Over the course of the month, you can expect each class and/or grade level to be represented at least once, most likely more than once. We focus on faith formation, academics and fun! This edition of the newsletter is particularly special because we are finally able to showcase our ability to provide a safe, positive learning environment during these difficult times.



This week actual began on this past Saturday for us, as our 3rd graders finally got to partake in their First Holy Communion. We are so proud of them! 3rd grade also had a fun-filled week in school with their new teacher, Mrs. Spaventa, who focused on having students showcase their creativity across

content areas. The 3rd graders created “All About Me” narratives, participated in a culminating project which reflected their knowledge of the Blessed Trinity, and made “hoppers” to test their understanding of force and motion.





The 4th grade found ways to safely work in pairs for different assignments. In Religion class, they created acrostic poems about the word *trust*. They focused on the importance in trusting in friends, family and Jesus. In Math, the 4th graders worked with partners in a “renaming numbers” game. Each student was given their own set of supplies to work with.



The 5th grade teachers are finding ways to connect the two classes through fun learning experiences. This week, the 5th graders created their own stress balls! Remote students and in-



person students were able to see and interact with each other and both teachers. Throughout the coming weeks, the students will

be even further immersed in shared learning experiences through the Google Meet platform using school Chromebooks.



Last, but certainly not least, our Early Childhood students are really getting into a routine. We are so proud of their resilience and we’re happy to know that they are smiling

underneath those masks! They have enjoyed using their own set of blocks and toys in each of their classrooms, as well as taking some time to go outdoors.



None of these experiences happen without the unrivaled dedication of our teachers. We thank them immensely for their adaptability in finding ways to provide as normal an experience as possible for their students.

That does it for this week’s Review, can’t wait to share more next week!

Warm Regards,

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