



## What is happening in the Classroom...

I hope that everyone had a nice weekend. Our weekend was watching Districts out in Westfield for Cross Country. Michael did well, and he did qualify for state, he came in 2<sup>nd</sup> out of 221 runners! He is looking forward to running in his last high school XC race at States!!!!

**I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving.**

**I will not be writing a newsletter next week due to the Thanksgiving holiday!!!!**

We will be adding another student Bryce Wheeler to our Fantastic 4 to make it the Fabulous 5!!!! The kids already know him as he shadowed last year! I am very excited to welcome him to our Assumption family!

I look forward to meeting with each of you next week as we discuss your child's progress in fourth grade. Your conference slips will go home in the Wednesday envelope this week. If you are unable to make it to your assigned time (given on a first come first served basis) please email me and we will work out a time.

Be sure to check out your child's report cards if you haven't done so already! They all had a great first quarter!!! I am beyond proud of them!

Our kids are doing great with bringing in items for the food drive. As of Friday, November 9<sup>th</sup> we collected 535 items. Way to go! We have already surpassed our goal, set by the kids, of 500 items! The food drive ends on Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup>!!!

On Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup> I will bring the \*treat\* for earning their 500 SELF CONTROL letters! This is also a dress up day- wear your favorite sports jersey. Hmmmm, I wonder what jersey I will be wearing???

I hope to see you at our PTG meeting on Thursday. It begins at 6:30 in the Parish Hall.

Along with our food drive, St. Vincent De Paul is also having a coat/winter gear drive. Please send in your gently used winter gear. Please be sure it is laundered. Adult sizes are needed as well as child sizes. This ends on November 15<sup>th</sup> also.

As of November 12<sup>th</sup>, Edge2day is completely up to date with grades for second quarter in Mrs. Olson's classes. IF there is a zero, your child did not turn in the assignment, if you see an INC it means your child was absent and needs to complete the work. Please continue to check this wonderful website to keep up on your child's grades. **As always with a zero or INC please complete the assignment and turn it in as they will receive credit.**

So many of our Assumption School parents volunteered on a misty Saturday morning to help move 35 yards of mulch around our playground! I cannot thank you enough for helping. The playground looks great!!!!

Keep sending in those boxtops!!!!

Advent begins on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Remember to get out those Advent wreaths and pray each day as the season of preparing begins.



## Onto Business....

Religion: We are going to tackle chapter 5 this week. **We will have an open book test on November 20<sup>th</sup>.** Chapter 5 revolves around how God strengthens us to be holy. We

will discuss how Jesus shows concern for others, forgives others, and how he teaches us to pray.

**Math:** Our studies this week center around addition. We will look at adding with regrouping, 4-digit addition, adding larger numbers, and rounding out the week with adding 3 or more addends. As always, we will practice our addition facts. Look for a 4.5-minute test on these after Thanksgiving. We will then lower the time to 4 minutes.

**Science:** We begin a new unit of study this week. We will look at invertebrates and vertebrates. We will look at X-rays of animals, so we can see their bones and their characteristics. We will pick up the rest of this unit after Thanksgiving.

**Reading:** Chester made a little mistake last week and Tucker is a very wise mouse that helps his friend out in the next chapter. We will also read about a Chinese Dinner where Mario learns what Chester should be eating. We will continue to work on our vocabulary, fact and opinion, and comprehension.

**Social Studies:** Students will be completing their regions projects this week in class. When the projects are completed, the students will present them to the class. On Thursday, students will play a review game on Unit 1. On Friday, students will complete the Unit 1 Test. Next week, we will be reading a story about the pilgrims and their voyage on the Mayflower.

**Language:** Students will be finishing their editing and working on their final drafts using pen and cursive! Their Personal Narratives are coming out amazing. After the final drafts have been completed, the students will present their pieces to the rest of the class.

**Vocabulary:** Students will conclude Unit 4 this week. On Thursday, there will be a review game. On Friday, there will be a test on spelling and vocabulary. Please make sure that students are practicing their definitions, synonyms, and antonyms at home. Please make sure to sign off every day when students have practiced their spelling.



## Our Calendar...

**Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family!**

November 15<sup>th</sup>: Food Drive/Coat Drive Ends

November 16<sup>th</sup>: Sports Dress up Day

November 19<sup>th</sup>: Parent Teacher conferences- Noon Dismissal, Mass 9 AM

November 20<sup>th</sup>: Parent Teacher conferences- Noon Dismissal

November 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Break Happy Turkey Day and Happy Black Friday!

November 29<sup>th</sup>: Drama Presentation 1:30 PM in the church

December 7<sup>th</sup>: Professional Development Day- No School

December 2<sup>nd</sup>: Advent Begins, Chain of Lights

Have a wonderful two weeks and a Happy, Blessed Thanksgiving!

*Mrs. Olson* ☺

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5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math: Last week we began our “review” of double-digit multiplication. Most of the errors that the students will encounter are the actual multiplying of the digits. At this point I would appreciate you grading their homework, so they can correct their errors right away. Also, they are allowed to use their multiplications charts. I believe by Thursday, we will begin 3 digit multiplication.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Science: The tests on the Solar System were great. The students are taking in a vast amount of information and they did a great job on their tests. We will begin our unit on matter. We begin with the Periodic Table, how it is set up and the different elements that are on the chart. We will also be heading to WPI on Friday. I will be taking them along with the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade. They will be allowed to dress for the Sports dress up day, just be sure that they are wearing jeans or their uniform pants.