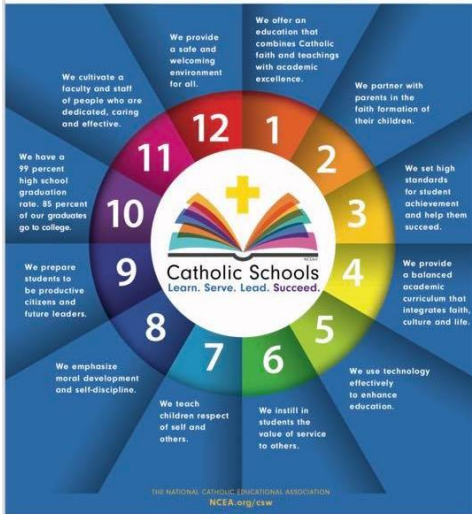


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What is happening in the Classroom...

What great weather we had again this weekend! It sure was nice to get out and walk outside. We had our CSW open house (which was great by the way) and regular old errands and cleaning were part of my weekend!

Groundhog Day is on Saturday... I wonder what Punxsutawney Phil will predict for the weather! Early Spring would be awesome, although we truly have not had a very snowy winter!!!

CSW activities continue throughout the week as scheduled. We hope to have a wonderful week celebrating our Catholic school! Assumption has certainly become a part of my family and thank you, of course sharing your kids with me! They truly make my day

each and every day!

Variety Show update: On Thursday I will need the kids to be dressed in clothes that will work with our Photosynthesis play. We have discussed what their costumes should be for the day. If you have questions, please let me know!!! 😊

We are collecting new books for our "Books for Babies" drive for the UMass NICU. This is such a wonderful cause as each family will be able to bond with their babies while reading their book. Thank you in advance for your donations.

Make sure to ask your kids about the Geography Bee we had in class today. We sure have a few budding scholars of geography in our class! Great work today!

The third quarter book report was given out last week. If you would like to see a sample, please stop by my room. I have one for you to look at. It will be out for awhile in case the kids need to see it.



Onto Business....

Religion: The kids worked hard on their test this past Friday. They all did well and I am looking forward to a quick lesson on Mary, the assumption and the Angelus prayer. We will also have Adoration this week with Father Dan. This will be a great experience for the students who have never experienced Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

Math: We had a great week last week! The students were rock stars when it came to multiplying two digit by two digit numbers. We learned that the place holder is always happy to be there. We will continue to work on this concept this week.

Science: This week starts out with a review game and then a test on Wednesday. Next week we begin a new unit on physical characteristics of plants and animals.

Reading: Our penguin, Captain Cook got into a little bit of mischief last week with Mrs. Callahan, the newspaper reporter, and a barbershop. Captain Cook becomes a bit "blue" this week. Because of that we add another penguin or two to the mix this week! Ask your kids what is new in our novel this week. As always, we are studying and adding new vocabulary words and checking comprehension.

Social Studies: On Monday, students will participate in a 50 states trivia game, in which they must guess the state based on the shape and its location on the map. The students will have activities throughout the week practicing and reviewing their Northeast States and Capitals, such as completing puzzles, participating in "Pick-Up States", map matching, and so on. We will have a final review on Thursday, and the students will complete the quiz on Friday. Next week, we will begin the next unit: The Southeast!!

Language: The students will begin brainstorming and drafting their Writing that Compares piece, in which they will compare and contrast 2 things, such as basketball and hockey, winter and summer, or pandas and red pandas! They will then end their writing piece with which they like better and why. I cannot wait to see what the students write!

Vocabulary: Unit 8 will be completed this week. On Monday, we will have a Spelling Bee on past, present, and future units in our Vocabulary book. Please make sure your child is practicing their spelling, definitions, synonyms, and antonyms throughout this week. Also, make sure to sign off on your child's Spelling Chart every day. It is due Friday, 2/1. I will give your child 10 bonus points on their test. If a student spelled all the words correctly on the pretest, they are excused from the



Spelling Chart and will automatically receive 10 bonus points on their test. Students will have review games on Wednesday, which will include "SPARKLE" and "4th Grade versus Ms. Loughlin". We will complete our test on Friday.

Our Calendar...

January 28th: Books for Babies Drive begins today. In uniform

January 29th: Mismatch Day and Wacky Welaya

January 30th: In uniform, Silly Socks, Adoration

January 31st: Variety Show 1 PM in Parish Hall, clothes that go along with your classroom act

February 1st: PJ Day and movie in the afternoon

February 3rd: Super Bowl Sunday! Who will win????

February 8th: Ice Cream Friday

Have a great week!

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5th Grade Math: Our classes will be light this week with our celebration of Catholic Schools. This week in Math we will continue with division with teens and move on to double digit numbers. Next week we will test on our multiplication facts. We will also have a Geo Bee in class today.

5th Grade Science: We start our week with an experiment on viscosity. We will see how the viscosity changes in honey when heat or cold is added. We will then complete our study guide and have our test on Tuesday, February 5th.