

MS. LONG'S CLASSROOM NEWS

Welcome to 2nd grade, where we are O.W.L.s (Organized-while-learning students) & give a HOOT about learning!



NOTES

Welcome to 2nd grade! I'm truly looking forward to working with you and your child to make this a great year together! Just a couple of things as we start the year...

- Our **school's theme** is "Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord" – look for its integration in our curriculum, daily and weekly activities
- Please check your child's **homework folder** every night, as it will include teacher/school communication, homework, unfinished in-class work, etc. Please help ensure these folders come back to school every day
- We have P.E. on Tuesday & Friday afternoons. Please send your child in with an extra **pair of gym shoes** to stay at school during the week
- If you plan on volunteering inside or outside of the classroom with students, please take the **Safe Environment class** this Saturday
- Please check out our **class' website** (off St. Luke's website) for important info like our class schedule, curriculum maps, helpful links, weekly spelling words, photos from the classroom, etc.
- Join us for **Curriculum Night** next Thursday night, where we'll discuss curriculum, classroom and school policies, & much more!

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Math: We'll be assessing students with Beginning-of-Year assessments, fact tests, counting to 120, skip counting tests, etc. to place students in either my or Mrs. Hansch's Math classes; textbook: My Math

Language Arts/Reading: We'll be assessing students' reading comprehension & fluency writing, grammar, & spelling skills using SuperKids, DIBELS, & CBM writing; textbook: SuperKids

Religion: starting with Chp. 1: "God's Creation" & Creation story; textbook: Call to Faith

Social Studies: discussing classroom & school rules, & creating community within our classroom

Science: we'll be starting a plants unit, using the Next Generation Science Standards

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Safe Environment training.** Sat. Sept. 9th
- **School pictures** – Thurs. Sept. 14th
- **Back to School Curriculum Night** – Thurs. Sept. 14th, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.
- **Mass of the Holy Spirit** – Fri. Sept. 15th (please join us, if you can)
- **New parent meeting** – Wed. Sept. 20th
- **St. Luke-a-thon** – Thurs. Sept. 28th
- **Free dress** – Fri., Sept. 29th

Reminders:

- Please write or email me your "homework" (intro letter) by Friday, 9/08
- Please send your child with a full water bottle & snack every day

NOTE: I'll typically post upcoming tests, homework, & projects here (instead of reminders) – keep an eye out for this info in the next few weeks

