

Mrs. Sheehan's Classroom News

4th Grade

Nov. 27-Dec. 1st

IB Theme: Communicator



This Week's Learning

Fourth Grade ELA

Spelling: The children will be bringing home a new spelling list Monday. Check for the list in their binder. The test will be Friday.

Reading: This week we should finish our book, "The Orphan of Ellis Island". We will be working on our comprehension skills by practicing answering questions about chapters 26-30. Next week, we will have an end of book test.

Writing: We are beginning to work on informational writing in preparation for our weather reports for our IB unit of study.

Grammar: Our focus in grammar will be recognizing run on sentences and correcting them.

Cursive: Each week the children will review letter form, slant, and size of their cursive letters. A few are missing some of their review pages so I will be giving them the chance complete them during recess. This week, we are focusing on Kk and Ll.

Religion

Chapter Five is titled "The Church Worships". Our chapter review will be on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Up Coming Events:

- Dec. 1 end of trimester
- Dec. 6 Optional Student confessions
- Dec. 8 Report Cards
Mass -Feast of the Immaculate Conception
- Dec. 13 Christmas Pageant 6:30-7:30
- Dec. 15 Noon Dismissal/ Free Dress Day Caroling Competition

Star Student

- Dec. 4-8 Elijah Ralls
 - Dec. 11-15 Vivian Blair
- Information and the sheets pertaining to star student are available at any time. They are located below the "I Wonder" bulletin board.



Dear Parents,

It was great seeing all of you at conferences! Your children did a fabulous job telling you about their goals and how they are going to reach those goals.

I will be sending home an information email soon about our Christmas party and the book exchange we will have on Thursday, Dec. 14th.

Thank you,
Mrs. Valerie Sheehan

IB unit of Study

We have started our new IB unit-**Sharing the Planet**. which looks at our science standards on weather. Our central idea for this unit is *Weather patterns influence the ways we live*. If for some reason the introductory letter on this unit didn't make it home I have put a copy on the classroom web page.

This week we will be learning about meteorologists and the tools they use to tell weather. The children will be creating a weather station to keep both in the classroom and set up outside. Then they are going to learn about and then research extreme weather and write a weather report about one of the extreme weathers.

Starting next week, they will be rotating through weather centers. At these weather centers they will be learning about clouds, the water cycle, precipitation, floods/lightening, and predicting weather.

While the major of the work being done for this unit is in classroom work, we will be using google classroom. The classroom code for this unit is **xfhd101**. If your child has difficulty getting on their Google classroom at home please let me know right away so we can make sure that doesn't hold your child up on doing research next week. **Remember they must be on their google classroom email account.**

