

Ms. Long's Classroom News



This month, we are practicing the IB trait of being "reflective," which might look like reflecting on the way in which you learn best, advocating for that kind of environment, recognizing our own strengths and weaknesses, & being proactive in our own learning. How can your child practice this at home?

NOTES

- * **Spring conferences** are next Thursday & Friday. If you haven't yet, please **sign up online** at <http://www.signupgenius.com/long> ASAP
- * Mark your calendars for **1st Communion dates** (see calendar below OR flyer that came home today)
- * Don't forget to register for **St. Luke's "Let's Fiesta" Dinner & Gala Auction** on Sat., May 5th! Forms are in the front office & Thursday packets
- * We'll be visiting the **garden tomorrow morning**, and forecasts show rain showers. **Please send your child with rain coats and/or boots**
- * Scholastic **book order flyers** came home with your child today. If you'd like to purchase books, please order online at www.scholastic.com/readingclub (use code NDWX9) or send in completed forms & a check by **Wednesday, 4/11**
- * Check out some of the **summer programs** & camps available at St. Luke, & sign up at <https://www.stlukeshoreline.net/summer-program>
- * Information about the **Spring Concert** program "Of Mice & Mozart," came home before break. If your child has a speaking part, please help them practice at home (their parts are on notecards)
- * **Permission slips** for a special Mass we get to attend on Friday, May 18th at Bishop Blanchet will come home tomorrow. Please return completed forms to me **by this Friday, 4/13**
- * Please continue to ensure your child is reading about 10 minutes a night at home, & recording their time on their **April reading log**

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

- Math:** My Math Chp. 9: Data Analysis, lessons 4 & 5 (making & analyzing bar graphs). Review of types of graphs tally charts, pictographs, & bar). Use <https://xtramath.org>, <http://www.sheppardsoftware.com/math.htm>, & <https://www.turtlediary.com/games/second-grade/math.html> to practice Math facts, graphs, geometric shapes, time, money, & more
- Language Arts/Reading:** Super Kids Unit 6 week 2 stories & skills focus on spelling & reading words with open-syllable vowel patterns, editing, using plurals, & identifying text features in non-fiction writing. For spelling practice, use <https://www.spellingcity.com/users/Mslong98133>
- Writing:** Unit 6 writing skills focus on writing paragraphs organized with main ideas (topic sentences) & supporting details; defending opinions with textual evidence (using Scholastic News articles)
- Religion:** In 1st Eucharist studies, Chp. 6: We are United in Faith focuses on prayers, like the Nicene Creed, & how praying the Creed unites us with one another in Mass (John 17: 9 - 23)
- Social Studies (IB unit):** Exploring central idea that "Being good stewards of the Earth is our right and responsibility." Students will design & create posters & flyers to educate their peers on ways to reduce, reuse, & recycle here at St. Luke & at home

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **1st Communion parent meeting**, Thurs. 4/12 at 6 p.m. (auditorium)
- **Father Daughter Dance**, Fri. 4/13 (auditorium)
- **Usborne Book Fair**, Mon. 4/16 - Fri. 4/20 (auditorium)
- **Parent-teacher-student conferences (no school)** Thurs. 4/19 & Fri. 4/20
- **"Let's Fiesta" Dinner & Gala Auction**, Sat. 5/05
- **1st Communion parent/child practice**, Thurs. 5/10 at 7 p.m. (Church)
- **1st Communion**, Sat. 5/12 at 10 a.m. (Church)
- **Spring Concert**, May 30th at 6:30 p.m. (auditorium)

HOMEWORK & TESTS

- **Language Arts:** Super Kids unit 6 week 2 Spelling test, Fri. 4/13
Super Kids unit 6 week 2 h/w due, Fri. 4/13
- **Math:** Chp. 9: Types of Graphs test (Ms. Long's class), Wed. 4/18
- **Reading:** April reading log due, Tues. May 1st

