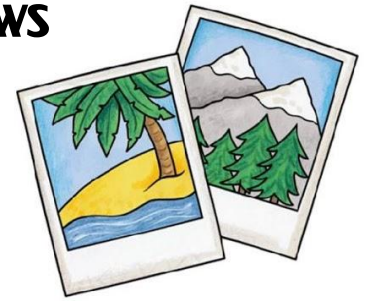


Mrs. Sheehan's Classroom News

3rd/4th Grade



Oct. 8-12th
IB focus: Balanced

IB UNIT OF INQUIRY

Central Idea: Government systems and decisions affect equal opportunities and social justice

This past week the children looked at Article 1 of the Washington State Constitution. As they learned about the 35 sections of Article 1, they looked to see how these sections promoted equal opportunities and social justice. Then, using the guiding questions: *What makes someone a citizen of a country?* and *Do citizens have any responsibilities?* They came up with more questions they had about the role of citizens in government. After learning what we wanted to know, they used the IPADS to read from books in their *Epic Library* to find the answer. We also played a game on www.icivics.org, *Responsibility Launcher*. This is a fun game that helps citizens discover their civic duties and responsibilities. Next week, we will be continuing to learn about civic duties and responsibilities as we move towards the end of our unit and the summative assessment.

We will be visited by the Shoreline Mayor on Thursday, Oct. 11 at 1:30. You are welcome to join us if you are available.

Religion

Chapter 3 is titled "The Ten Commandments". Our objectives are to understand the importance of doing God's will, learn how God led his people to freedom and learn the ten commandments and what they mean. Also, to name ways to keep the Commandments and honor and praise God.

2nd Step/SEL

We finished Lesson 3 which focused on Being Assertive. Thursday, Oct. 4th the children brought home in their binders the Home Link. As a group, we decided to have the HomeLink due on Monday, Oct. 8th.

This week, we will be focusing on Lesson 4: Respecting Similarities and Differences in Second Step. The children will be learning to recognize people's feelings, understanding that others' feelings is an important part of empathy, and that people can have similar or different feelings about the same situation.

Teaching Safety

Every year we teach two lessons about safety to the children. One is taught in Oct. and one in April. The lessons are about boundaries (4th) and Teaching Safety Rules (3rd). Both lessons will be taught on Monday, Oct. 8
Please Email if you want to have your child Opt Out

Math and ELA

All Math and ELA classes will be sending home emails to parents and posting on teacher classroom web pages information about their math and ELA classes.

Each math class will be going to **Robotics** once a week. The class is instructed by Mr. Huntamer.

Upcoming Events

- Oct 6-7 BAKE SALE
- Oct. 9-11 Parish Mission
- Oct. 11 Shoreline Mayor will be visiting at 1:30
- Oct. 12 NO SCHOOL (Teacher Retreat)
- Oct. 16 Parent presentation on Mental Wellness
- Oct. 17 picture retakes
- Oct. 18 Mass (dress uniform)
- Oct. 19 Feast of St. Luke
- Oct. 27 Progress Reports
- Bingo Bash

Star Student

- Oct. 8-12 Siena
- Oct. 15-19 Bennett
- Oct. 22-26 Henry
- Oct. 29-Nov. 2 Liam
- Nov. 5-9 Tessia

Information and the sheets pertaining to star students are available at any time. They are located below the "I Wonder" Bulletin Board. You can also see what is happening each day on the class web page.

