

# Mrs. Sheehan's Classroom News 3rd/4th Grade

Feb. 11-14

IB focus: Open-Minded



# **New IB UNIT OF INQUIRY**

Last week in science, we started our new IB unitt about energy called "Energizing Everything." Your child learned how things need energy to move and that energy can be stored in many different ways. We saw exple, springs and even food! Your child built a rubber band racer to test how the energy put into the racer impacts how far the racer goes. We solved the mystery, "Can a car move without gas?"

You can support this week's learning by watching another example of people powered vehicles with your child (

http://www.safeyoutube.net/w/ySj\_). You might ask, "How does this car have the energy to go? Where did the people get their energy? What other vehicles get their energy from people?"

We have a "Google Classroom" page up that has some extra videos, readings, and activities.

#### Religion

Chapter 8 focus is on the "The Great Commandment". We will begin by looking at our families and friends and how they have shown God's love to us. I will be asking them to write three Thank you notes to three people who have shown God's love to them.

### 2nd Step/SEL

Lesson 13: Managing Anxiety

In this lesson the children will practice calming down and using positive self talk to help manage anxiety.

### 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

Feb. 18-Feb. 22 Magazine Sale (you can use the web page for easy access)

Feb. 18 School Spelling Bee scheduled

Feb. 14 Valentine's Day Party/HALF DAY

. The children may begin bringing in Valentine's beginning on Monday, Feb. 11th. If you decide to handout Valentines then the Valentines must be brought in for our entire class. They **may also add in** the rest of the third grade or fourth graders.

Feb. 15 NO SCHOOL/Teacher inservice

Feb. 18 NO SCHOOL/Presidents' Day

Feb. 20 Vision/Hearing Screening

eb. 22 Mass/Chair of St. Peter

Free Dress Friday

School Family Activity 8:45-9:15

Feb. 25 State of the School/IB

Presentation 6:30 Star Student

Feb. 4-8 Trey (Trey will also have next week for Star Student)

Feb. 25-Mar. 1 Wachera

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.

