

# Mrs. Sheehan's Classroom News

## 3rd/4th Grade



Feb. 18-22

IB focus: Open-Minded

### New IB UNIT OF INQUIRY

The week before the snow, in science, we started our new IB unit 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 example, 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/ySi>). 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. I sent an email last week with directions on how to get on google classroom.

### 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. 15 **NO SCHOOL/Teacher inservice**
- Feb. 18 **NO SCHOOL/Presidents' Day**
- Feb. 20 **Vision/Hearing Screening**
- Feb. 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**
- Feb. 26 **Roller Skating Party 6-8:00**
- Mar. 5 **Field Trip Play**  
**Lunch at school/wear uniform**  
**Lenten Food Drive Mar. 5-14th**
- Mar. 6 **Ash Wednesday**

### Star Student

- Feb. 19-22 **Trey**
- Feb. 25-Mar. 1 **Wachera**
- Mar. 11-15 **Isabelle**
- Mar. 18-22 **Ali**

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.

