

MS. LONG'S CLASSROOM NEWS

This month, we are practicing the IB trait of being "risk takers." We talked about how this might look like sitting somewhere different at lunch, playing with someone new at recess, trying a new food, sharing a creative idea, and speaking out more in class. I encourage you to talk about this with your child, and ask them how he/she can practice this at home.

Happy birthday
to-whooo
Kathryn (3/27)!



NOTES

- * Trimester 2 report cards came home last week. If you haven't yet, please review your child's grades, then [sign & return the envelope by this Friday, 3/29](#)
- * **Spring conferences** are coming up soon (4/11 and 4/12). Please sign up [here](#) for a time to discuss your child's excellent progress! (remember your child isn't required to attend)
- * We've been hard at work on our class' "Seattle Skyline" **Auction project**. Ask your child about the buildings, tourist spots, creatures, & more they're drawing & painting for this one-of-a-kind project!
- * We're **visiting the school garden** tomorrow, so please send your child in layers & tennis shoes (forecast is 50 degrees & partly cloudy)
- * Our **March Madness SCRIP Contest** ends Sunday, 3/31! You can send in your order with your child, buy Friday a.m. in front of the school office (until 9:15), or after 9:00 o'clock Mass on Sunday
- * Thursday we're taking our **field trip** to the local recycling transfer station to learn about where our recyclables go, then to City Hall to learn of local sustainability projects. **The kids should wear their uniform, & will need to bring a disposable lunch** to eat there
- * 2nd graders will attend **Lenten Confession this Thursday a.m.** We'll practice an Examen of Conscience here at school, but please help your child prepare at least 1 sin for confession, & practice the Act of Contrition
- * Don't forget to mark your calendars for **1st Communion dates** (see calendar below)

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

- Math: Ms. Long's class** My Math Chp. II: Measurement lessons 5 - 7 (relating in., ft., & yds, measuring to the nearest cm & m, & solving word problems). Please help your child practice their Math facts at home every day; subtraction facts **quiz on Fri. 3/29**
- ELA: Ms. Long's class** Super Kids Unit 6 week 2 stories & skills focus on spelling & reading words with open-syllable long vowels, writing with irregular plurals, & using editing marks in our writing
- Writing:** Identifying nonfiction features in Scholastic News article, "When Annie Came to America" and learning about immigration to the U.S. Also reading "The Day it Rained Fish!" and discussing extreme weather while also charting the weather for the week. Also finishing our ice cream poems using alliteration
- Religion:** 1st Eucharist studies - Chp. 8: We Pray as Jesus Taught Us focuses on praying & understanding the words of the Our Father prayer. We're also learning about St. Elizabeth of Hungary, a model of stewardship
- IB:** Exploring central idea that "Being good stewards of the Earth is our right and responsibility." Through our field trip, we'll explore local sustainability projects, as well as rules & laws in place to help care for the Earth. We're also studying how and where ocean pollution occurs, as well as brainstorm solutions to solve these pollution problems

As per Fr. Brad's request, our school will be attending **Mass every Wed. at 2:15 p.m. during Lent.** Please join us if you can!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Visit to school garden**, Tues. 3/26
- **Lenten Mass**, Wed. 3/27 at 2:15 p.m.
- **Lenten Confessions (2nd - 8th grades)**, Wed. 3/27 at 8:45 a.m.
- **Field trip to Recycling Center/City Hall**, Thurs. 3/28
- **Free dress**, Fri. 3/29
- **First Eucharist parent mtg.**, Thurs. 4/04
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences (NO SCHOOL)**, Thurs. 4/11 & Fri. 4/12
- **Easter Break**, Fri. 4/19 (noon dismissal) - Fri. 4/26
- **First Eucharist rehearsal**, Thurs. 5/02 at 7 p.m.
- **First Eucharist**, Sat. 5/04 at 10 a.m.

HOMEWORK & TESTS

- **ELA:** Super Kids unit 6 week 2 tests & h/w due, Fri. 3/29
- **Math (Ms. Long's class):** subtraction facts quiz, Fri. 3/29
- **Reading:** March reading log due Mon. 4/01 (read 10 min./night)

