

# 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. I encourage you to talk about this with your child, and ask them how he/she can practice this at home.

## NOTES

- \* **Spring conferences** are next Thursday & Friday. If you haven't yet, please sign up [here](#) for a time to discuss your child's excellent progress! (remember your child isn't required to, but welcome to, attend)
- \* **(Signed) March reading logs** were due today. If you haven't yet, please send them in with your child ASAP
- \* Please continue to support your child in reading aloud a book at their reading level for 10 minutes a day! New **April reading logs** came home with your child today
- \* 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've been invited to a special **Mass for 2nd graders at Bishop Blanchet May 16th**. Permission slips will be coming home soon
- \* Remember we've a **First Eucharist parent meeting at 7 p.m. this Thursday evening in the Church**. One parent is required to attend (but no children). Also, don't forget to mark your calendars for **First Eucharist dates** (see calendar below)
- \* **April Scholastic book flyers** were sent home this afternoon. If you'd like to purchase books for your child (and help us buy books for the class, too!), please order online [here](#) by Wed. 4/10
- \* 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!

## WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

- Math: Ms. Long's class** My Math Chp. II: Measurement lessons 8 - 11 (selecting metric tools, comparing metric lengths, relating cm & m, & using number lines). Extra practice with problem solving skills in word problems. Please help your child practice their Math facts at home every day; subtraction facts **quiz on Fri. 4/05**
- ELA: Ms. Long's class** Super Kids Unit 6 week 3 stories & skills focus on spelling & reading words with "w" patterns and writing with mis- and dis- prefixes
- Writing:** Identifying nonfiction features in Scholastic News article, "The Great Garbage Strike" and identifying cause & effects of this strike. Writing an action plan to help the people of Mabul (see IB)
- 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. Francesco & St. Jacinto Marto, models of honesty
- IB:** Exploring central idea that "Being good stewards of the Earth is our right and responsibility." We're studying the stateless island of Mabul and their garbage (ocean pollution) problems. We'll be asking students to transfer their prior knowledge and learning from this unit to develop an action plan to help these people with their garbage problem

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Lenten Mass**, Wed. 4/03 at 2:15 p.m.
- **First Eucharist parent mtg.**, Thurs. 4/04 at 7 p.m. (Church)
- **Usborne Book Fair**, Mon. 4/07 - Fri. 4/12
- **Parent-Teacher Conferences (NO SCHOOL)**, Thurs. 4/11 & Fri. 4/12
- **Noon dismissal (Good Friday - dismiss in silence)**, Fri. 4/19
- **Easter Break**, Fri. 4/19 - Fri. 4/26
- **First Eucharist rehearsal**, Thurs. 5/02 at 7 p.m.
- **First Eucharist**, Sat. 5/04 at 10 a.m.
- **Bishop Blanchet Mass**, Thurs. 5/16 at 9:35 a.m. (Bishop Blanchet H.S.)
- **St. Luke Auction**, Sat. May 18th

## HOMEWORK & TESTS

- **ELA:** Super Kids unit 6 week 3 tests & h/w due, Fri. 4/05
- **Math (Ms. Long's class):** subtraction facts quiz, Fri. 4/05
- **Reading:** April reading log due Wed. 5/01 (read 10 min./night)

