# 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

\* Your child's First Eucharist is here! Remember we've our 1st Eucharist rehearsal this Thursday, May 2nd, at 7 p.m., & both a parent AND child are required to attend

\* A friendly reminder to please get those First Eucharist banners in to me ASAP - they'll be used Saturday a.m.

- \* On Saturday, please have your child in the auditorium (with me) by no later than 9:45 a.m. From there, you can head into the Church & find your designated seat (marked with your banner). Please see Susan Burdett's email for more info on photos & such
- \* Don't forget to register for St. Luke's Family & Gala Auctions! Info & registration links can be found here
- \* Remember April reading logs are due this Wednesday, May 1st. New May logs will come home on Wednesday
- \* May Scholastic book order flyers will come with your child this week. Should you like to order books for summer and help build our library! order here
- \* Spring MAP testing (for 2<sup>nd</sup> graders) will be on Wed. May 15th, Fri. May 17th, and Tues. May 21st. You can expect to see reports with scores, suggestions for practice, etc. early June (when MAP testing closes for the district)

#### WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Math: Ms. Long's class My Math Chp. 6: 3-Digit Addition lessons 6 - 8 (adding 3-digit numbers) & review; test on Friday. Review of place value & writing, reading, & comparing numbers. Please help your child practice Math facts daily (5 min.); add. facts quiz on Fri. ELA: Ms. Long's class Super Kids Unit 7 week 1 stories & skills focus on spelling & reading compound words with long a patterns, and identifying/writing with singular & plural pronouns. Finishing vocab and comprehension skills work with Book Club book, Pinky and Rex and the Bully: starting unit 7 Super Magazine & practicing comprehension & vocab skills with non-fiction articles
Writing: Identifying nonfiction features in Scholastic News article, "Orangutan School" & learning about interventions for endangered animals. Also starting unit 5 lessons to help students write personal stories (narrative pieces)

Religion: Reviewing First Eucharist material, learning about how hosts are consecrated, and practicing & preparing for First Eucharist on Saturday

IB: Exploring our Water & Wind Erosion IB unit with the central idea that "Wind and water erosion occur quickly or slowly and change the land." This week, students will investigate the effects of rocks tumbling in a river. Using results of their investigation, they'll construct a model to explain why there is sand at a beach

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- First Eucharist rehearsal, Thurs. 5/02 at 7 p.m. (in Church)
- Tri. 3 progress reports sent home, Fri. 5/03
- First Eucharist, Sat. 5/04 at 10 a.m.
- May Crowning Mass, Mon. 5/06 at 9:30 a.m.
- MAP testing, Wed. 5/15, Fri. 5/17, and Tues. 5/21
- Bishop Blanchet Mass, Thurs. 5/16 at 9:35 a.m. (Bishop Blanchet H.S.)
- St. Luke Family Auction, Fri. 5/17 and Gala Auction, Sat. 5/18
- Spring Concert, Wed. 5/29 at 6:30 p.m.

## **HOMEWORK & TESTS**

- Misc.: Ist Eucharist family banners due, Mon. 4/29 get them in ASAP
- Reading: April reading log due Wed. 5/01 (read 10 min./night)
- ELA (Ms. Long's): Super Kids unit 7 week 1 tests & h/w due, Fri. 5/03
  - Math (Ms. Long's): Chp. 6: 3-digit Addition & add. facts tests, Fri. 5/03

