

MS. LONG'S CLASSROOM NEWS

Our school's theme is "Igniting Hope: One Light, Many Candles." This month, we'll focus on being "balanced" - intellectually, emotionally, and physically. I encourage you to continue this at home with your children, asking where & how you, your child, & your family can practice being balanced. It could be limiting screen time, cooking and sharing a meal together, going on a family walk together, etc. Or, check out some great mindfulness activities and videos at [Mind Yeti](#) (on YouTube) or [GoNoodle for families](#).



NOTES

* Please continue to ensure that these are **packed in your child's backpack every day:**

- Homework folder
- Clean face masks
- Their charged device (iPad, tablet, etc.)
- A packed lunch
- A healthy snack
- A full water bottle (please label it)
- A warm jacket or raincoat

* Remember to **fill out the JotForm link** prior to dropping off your child each morning

* Thank you for sending your child to school with their device each day! Please **download all the apps OR bookmark the websites** on their Digital Learning Log-ins Google Doc. Help him/her log in to each of these apps/websites, and **save their passwords**. A copy of this log-in Doc is kept in their Homework folder, but I can't help troubleshoot if the log-in requires your info (e.g. Superkids Parent Portal). Thank you!

* Keep encouraging your child to **read aloud for 10 minutes** every night & color in a pumpkin on their October reading logs (due 11/02)

* 1st trimester **progress reports** envelopes came home Thursday afternoon. Please log on to Powerschool to review your child's grades. Then sign the envelope & return it with your child **by Friday, 10/23**

* If your child would like to **borrow St. Luke library books** (that can come home), check out the [school library catalog](#) to request them. Mrs.

Feucht will send these books home on Fridays

* We will take our **MAP tests** this Thursday, 10/22, and Friday, 10/23

* We're looking for **recess volunteers** to help clean equipment - sign up [here](#) if you're interested & available

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Math (1st grade): My Math Chp. 2: Subtraction Concepts lessons 1 - 4; Practicing skip counting by 10s

Math (2nd grade): My Math Chp. 1: Addition Concepts lesson 13; Chp. 1 review; **Chp. 1 test on Wed.** Practicing + & - facts

ELA/Reading: Super Kids, Unit 2 lessons 1 - 5 stories & skills focus on wh- words, writing with question words (who, what, when, where, why, & how), & identifying capital letters & end punctuation. Reading Scholastic News nonfiction weekly article, "Smile, It's Autumn" to learn about nature's signs of Autumn

Writing: Unit 2, working on informative writing pieces like writing & answering interview questions

Religion: Unit 1: God, Our Creator & Father, lesson 5, "Celebrating Ordinary Time" which explores the Church calendar & ordinary time

Second Step: Bullying Prevention Unit lesson 1, "Recognizing Bullying" to learn to recognize & identify bullying

Social Studies (IB): Working in our *Who We Are* IB unit with the central idea that "Families are Unique." This week, we're reading books & doing activities to explore how families meet other families.

Students will reflect on ways families meet each other and discuss activities they have in common with other families. Students will illustrate another square on their Family Quilt about activities their family does together

Art: *Mystery Science* skeletons activity

UPCOMING EVENTS

Happy birthday this month to-whooo:

- Lucia, 10/13
- Lucas, 10/16

- **MAP testing** - Thurs. 10/22 and Fri. 10/23
- **Virtual Open House** - Mon. 10/26, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
- **St. Luke-a-thon** - Wed. 10/28
- **IB Authorizing Team Visits PYP** - Thurs. 10/29 & Fri. 10/30
- **Free Dress Friday** - Fri. 10/30

HOMEWORK & TESTS

- **IB:** Grocery Shopping reflections due, Mon. 10/19
- **2nd grade Math:** Chp. 1: Addition Concepts test, Wed. 10/21
- **ELA/Reading:** Unit 1 Backpack Pages 14 - 17 due, Fri. 10/23
Superkids unit 2 week 1 Spelling test, Fri. 10/23
- **Second Step:** BPU Lesson 1 home link due, Fri. 10/23
- **Misc.:** Signed Tri. 1 progress report envelope due, Fri. 10/23
- **Reading:** Read 10 min./night (& color pumpkin on reading log)
October reading log due Mon. 11/02

