

# MS. LONG'S CLASSROOM NEWS

Our school's theme is "Igniting Hope: One Light, Many Candles." In our final month, we are practicing the IB trait of being **communicators**. Strong communicators understand and express information confidently and creatively in their writing, their drawings, and in oral presentations. They collaborate with one another, respectfully listen to others ideas, share their ideas with others, and ask questions to better understand concepts. I encourage you to help your child practice being a strong communicator at home - advocating for something they need or want, sharing their ideas by listening & taking turns, explaining steps to do something, etc.



## NOTES

- \* I'll be sending home some **summer work packets** and a summer reading log on Monday. Please help ensure your child completes this packet & reading log and turns it in to his/her new teacher the 1st week of school (Tues. 9/07)
- \* Please ensure your child **brings their backpack every day this week** as we'll pass back work, clean desks, & send supplies home
- \* Your child will make a **Father's Day gift** in class & bring it home on Wednesday
- \* Please help support our end-of-year **SVdP food drive**. Our goal is 100% participation, so any donations of canned or non-perishable food **by this Tuesday, June 8th** would be great!
- \* Please ensure all **Library books**, school books and materials, etc. are returned next week. I'll forward reminder emails from Mrs. Feucht this afternoon if your child needs to return books
- \* **Field Day** will be Thursday, June 10th. **1st graders are invited to wear orange (athletic) clothing**. Please ensure your child wears running shoes, and has a labeled water bottle
- K-2 will be dismissed at 11:45 a.m. on Thursday**
- \* Your child's **MAP scores** and **DIBELS scores** will be sent home with your child's **EOY report cards** on Friday morning
- \* **Friday, our last day of school, will be in-person**, and will include an all-school Mass on the upper field. Please drop your child off at your normal staggered arrival time. Make sure your child is dressed in uniform, and brings a beach towel to sit on. **K-2nd grade will dismiss at 10:30 a.m.**
- \* On Friday, I'll send home a **small end-of-year "bookworm" themed gift** - a bookmark, fun book, & gummy worms to encourage reading, & a journal to encourage writing this summer

## WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

- \* **Do some daily review of 1st grade skills. Work on a few pages in the "My Summer Learning Packet" (coming home on Monday)\***
- Math:** Keep practicing those addition & subtraction Math facts (0-20) & practice 1st grade skills on [Education.com](https://www.education.com)
- Writing:** Have your child keep a daily journal by responding to different writing prompts. I'll send home a Superkids journal and writing prompts (to cut and paste into their journal pages) with your child's end-of-year gift on Friday
- Reading:** READ, READ, READ! Summer reading is key to keeping your child's reading skills sharp and avoiding that "summer slide" so he/she starts 2nd grade strong! Find books at the local library or read books on Epic! for at least 30 minutes a day, and have your child record their reading on their Summer Reading log. He/she can also practice 1st grade reading/ELA skills on [Education.com](https://www.education.com)
- Science & Social Studies:** Extend your child's learning of 1st grade concepts with some fun local field trips! Try the Pacific Science Center and Planetarium (patterns of the sun, stars, and moon), MoPOP (light and sound patterns), the Zoo or the Seattle Aquarium (plant and animal adaptations)

There will be no assessments or homework this last week of school.

Help your child focus on reading for 10+ minutes a day instead!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **End-of-Year Food Drive**, Mon. 5/24 - Tues. 6/08
- **Field Day & Moving Up Ceremony**, Thurs. 6/10
- **11:45 a.m. dismissal**, Thurs. 6/10
- **Last Day of School & All-school Mass**, Fri. 6/11
- **10:30 a.m. dismissal**, Fri. 6/11
- **Meet & Greet**, 8:30 - 11:30 a.m., Tues. 9/07
- **Back to School Night**, Tues. 9/07
- **First Day of School**, Wed. 9/08



Wishing you and your family a wonderful and relaxing summer!

