Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that we are heading toward the middle of October already. School is in full swing. You should be seeing daily homework and papers in their binders. We will be sending home their Tuesday take home folders this Tuesday. Please look over their work, remove, sign it and return on Wednesday.

The St. Luke a thon and the feast of St. Luke are just over a week away. After learning about St. Luke, we decided that the third grade will dress as artists for the St. Luke a thon. Below you will find a page with ideas for costumes. We will all have an artist palette that each student will create in class. They can add on to that with any of the ideas on the paper or one that they come up with themselves. This should be a really fun event. Please don't forget to get all of your pledges for this fundraiser.

Both classes have earned their first Classdojo party. They are really adding on the points with all the positive behavior and homework getting turned in! The children vote on the type of party they'd like to have with the understanding that they can have only one electronic party a year. Of course, Mrs. Sheehan's class chose that as their first party. Mrs. Sheehan will be sending home a note to just her families with some more information about the party. Mrs. Smith's class will be making their decision and a note will come home to her families next week.

Next week, we will begin the second unit of our 2nd Step curriculum. The second unit focuses on Empathy. We will be spending some of your class meeting time as well working on our empathy skills using the Big Ideas from Classdojo.

Some important dates to remember:

- 1. Friday is Teacher Inservice day so no school for the children
- 2. St. Luke a Thon/Feast of St. Luke is on Oct. 18th.
- 3. The picture retake day is on Tuesday, November 2 so be sure to mark your calendars.
- 4. Great Washington Shake Out Drill on Oct. 21.
- 5. Mid-tri reports on Powerschool on Oct. 22

Have a joyful weekend,

Susan Smith and Valerie Sheehan

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