Dear Parents,

Thank you! Thank you! Thank you! What a wonderful way to start our day today. Your children were so sweet delivering their thoughtful cards, gifts and treats to us this morning. Many told us how thankful they were for us. Mrs. Sheehan even received a birthday cake for her September birthday! Even Friday morning mass was about saying thank you for what we receive. We are feeling so blessed to have such wonderful students and families.

The children have been working for the past few days to research their country of choice. We first, as a class, talked about what they would like to inquire about the country, created a graphic organizer, assigned book collections, where possible, on Epic and/or given books from the school library. Once the book source was exhausted, we gave them access to a padlet with different search engines for them to begin using. This just happened on Thursday so they have just started working with this source. This will give them the opportunity to use the skills from their Digital Citizenship with Mrs. Feucht. Our plan is to have them continue to work on note taking when we return after Thanksgiving. The next step will be to decide whether to present their information with a google slideshow presentation or create a book using Book Creator.

Today, the children were treated to a presentation by Charisse Valtinson and her mom Carmelita Tancioco about their immigration to America from the Philippines. This was a great way for the children to get first hand accounts of immigration to America. If you'd like to share your family's story (must be immunized for COVID) please let us know. The children would love to hear your story!

The trimester will be ending Friday December 3rd. This means your child has two weeks to make sure all of their assignments are turned in and that they have a minimum of five AR points. Next week would be a great time to catch up and read some good books. They can take AR tests at home. Please check PowerSchool. It will continue to be updated over the next week.

We are looking forward to the student-led conferences next week. Your child has worked hard to create information to put into a google slideshow to share with you about what they are proud of and what they'd like to continue to work on as the year progresses.

Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

Susan Smith and Valerie Sheehan