

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to the long weekend and bet you are too! It doesn't seem like Christmas break was only two weeks ago. The children have been working hard learning about Area and Forces in Motion. We spent a bit of time learning about the life and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. The children watched a great movie about Dr. King's life and the effect he had on the world. One thing we learned from the movie is that Dr. King's father always taught his son that one of the most important things to do was to be of service to others. This ties in so beautifully with our mission statement "Inquiring Minds, Hearts for Jesus, and Hands for Service." We have asked the children to find opportunities to be of service this weekend as a way to honor Dr. King's legacy. On Tuesday, we will ask them to write a reflection on their service.

Given the current state of the pandemic, it seems likely that at some point, students will need to isolate or quarantine. Luckily we have been using many of the platforms we used in Remote learning the last two years so students are familiar with them. If your child is required to isolate or quarantine, we have added our Google Site link to our homeroom google classrooms (it is also on the Parent Communication tab of our St. Luke Web Page). This is where you can find the Student Portal which has the daily schedules for the week. The majority of the work can then be found on our Google Classrooms. Math is something we will need to assign from Reveal Math through their online program. Hopefully, we won't need to use this but we want the children and families prepared.

We are looking forward to our Class Dojo parties next Friday. We will be having Pizza for lunch, so students will not need to pack a full lunch, only things to go with their pizza. Mr. Boyle has graciously offered to pick it up for us. We are celebrating having the best costumes at the St. Luke a Thon this fall.

Just a quick reminder that we will be MAPS testing January 24th - January 26th next week. Please make sure your child has a good night's sleep and a good breakfast.

A quick note from the office:

Admissions Season is in Full Swing! Our **Application Deadline** for NEW students is **February 5th**. If you are an existing family with a NEW sibling to enroll, please submit your applications as soon as possible to be considered for priority enrollment. All details and links can be found on our [How to Apply webpage](#). If you have any questions, please email Alicia Sullivan.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend.

Blessings,

Susan Smith and Valerie Sheehan