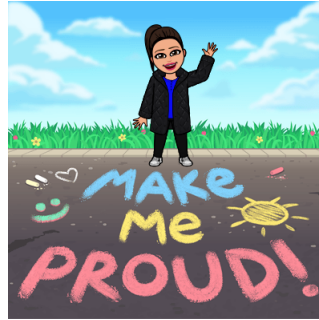


RISK-TAKER



March 28th, 2022

IB Attribute of the Month: Risk-Takers

Building a world of JOY!

"If you look at my life, generally, I've been put in situations which were difficult and which I conquered." - Madeleine Albright

This week is packed with exciting learning activities! Here's where we're headed this week in the classroom:

In **Religion** this week we will continue focusing on our Lenten journey by learning about the virtue of Temperance and St. Camillus de Lellis. We'll also continue preparing for the ACRE test later in April. Preparation materials have been posted on our 5B Google Classroom for the students to review and study. During our weekly **Second Step** lesson, we will learn about *Solving Problems*. **Each student will be responsible for completing a Homelink connected to the lesson with an adult every week. These Homelinks should be done with an adult & need to be signed by that adult before they are turned in!**

In **Math** with Ms. Bakamias, we will continue our lessons on Dividing Decimals. After each lesson, the students will work on a page of related questions. They'll also have a page of questions to work on at home. In **Math** with Mr. Carson, continue working on the area of polygons. We have had a slow start to this unit but we will still complete the unit in 2 weeks. If you have specific questions you can email gcarson@stlukeshoreline.org. **This week the students will continue their weekly ALEKS assignment of completing at LEAST 5 topics by Monday, March 28th @ 8 am!**

In **Reading & Spelling** with Ms. Bakamias, we will continue reading and reflecting on **A Long Walk to Water** highlighting the scarcity of water in different parts of the world. We will read together and answer comprehension questions related to the text. We'll also continue reading books at our own levels and will continue completing AR comprehension tests (our 3rd Trimester Goal is 15 points). We will resume Spelling this week! **Each student is expected to complete their 3 weekly Spelling jobs in their Spelling notebook prior to their Spelling test on Friday.**

In **Writing** with Mrs. Smith: Exhibition papers will be returned this week. Due to Exhibition deadlines, students didn't get a chance to finish the grammar activities a few weeks ago so they'll pick up where they left off with: 1) using commas to set off words, *yes* and *no* (e.g., *Yes, thank you.*), 2) to set off a tag question from the rest of the sentence (e.g., *It's true, isn't it?*), and 3) to indicate direct address (e.g., *Is that you, Steve?*). Students

will also learn about: 4) using underlining, quotation marks, or italics to indicate titles of works. Students will finish the practice lessons in MobyMax (due Friday, 4/1). The assignment is posted in Google Classroom > 5B Writing/Grammar. In **Writing**, students will be introduced to the research-based persuasive essay. During this unit, students will build on the skills they learned in the informational writing unit. Please email me at rsmith@stlukeshoreline.org if there are any questions.

This week we will wrap up our **Social Studies** unit where we explore the Central Idea: *Culture, trade, and geography played a part in the formation of the 13 colonies*. The students will be working in colony groups to sail to the New World, establish colonies, and interact with each other and the Native Americans in their geographic area to grow and thrive. These learning activities involve cooperation, problem-solving, and decision-making, building **connections** between diverse groups of people, exploring opportunities for **trade**, and reflecting on the **cost and benefits** of their decisions and interactions. Throughout the simulation, we'll reflect on the many ways in which the lives of the early colonists **change** and how they, as settlers, bring changes that impact their new environment.

Important Dates THIS week:

- Monday – **Lenten Prayer Service**, P.E., Report Cards sent home
- Tuesday – P.E., **2 pm Dismissal**
- Wednesday – P.E.
- Thursday – Library, P.E.
- Friday – **Mass for grades 2nd - 8th**, Music, Design

Upcoming Important Dates:

- *Friday, April 8th – All school Lenten Reconciliation*
- *Sunday, April 10th – Palm Sunday*
- *Friday, April 15th – Good Friday – Minimum use of all electricity, 12:00 pm Silent Dismissal followed by start of Spring Break*
- *Sunday, April 17th – Easter*
- *Monday, April 25th – School Resumes*
- *Friday, April 29th – FREE DRESS DAY & 5th Grade goes to UW for science field trip*
- *Friday, May 6th – Marian Mass followed by Mary Crowning & Mid-Tri reports*
- *Sunday, May 8th – Mother's Day*
- *Wednesday - Saturday, May 11th – 14th – Silent Online Auction*
- *Saturday, May 14th – Grecian Gala AUCTION*
- *Monday, May 16th – MAP testing window opens*
- *Friday, May 20th – Fulcrum Celebration of Light*
- *Friday, May 27th – Fundraising DAY OFF!*
- *Monday, May 30th – No School for Memorial Day*