



April 4th, 2022

IB Attribute of the Month: Reflective

Building a world of JOY!

*"Without deep reflection one knows from daily life that one exists for other people." - Albert Einstein*

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

In **Math** with Ms. Bakamis, we will review our lessons on Dividing Decimals. **Our Math Test will be on Wednesday, April 6th.** In **Math** with Mr. Carson, **we will take our test on the Area of Polygons on Monday 4/4/22.** We will begin our next unit on Volume and Surface area later in the week.. If you have specific questions you can email [gcarson@stlukeshoreline.org](mailto:gcarson@stlukeshoreline.org). **This week the students will continue their weekly ALEKS assignment of completing at LEAST 5 topics each week by Monday, April 4th & 11th @ 8 am!**

In **Reading & Spelling** with Ms. Bakamis, we finish 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 4 weekly Spelling jobs in their Spelling notebook prior to their Spelling test on Monday, April 11th due to Mass and Reconciliation.**

In **Writing** with Mrs. Smith, exhibition papers were returned last week in Google Classroom: Exhibition - Exhibition Information Papers. Please expand the rubric to see your child's grade. In **Grammar**, students will work on Expanding Sentences in their interactive notebook on Monday. **There are practice assignments in MobyMax and a quiz that will be due on Friday, April 8.** The grammar assignment is posted in Google Classroom: 5B Writing/Grammar. In **Writing**, students were introduced to the research-based persuasive essay last week. This week, students will flash draft their essay, add more evidence to support their claim, and add powerful quotes. All writing assignments are posted in Google Classroom: 5B Writing/Grammar - Research Based Argument Essay. Please email me at [rsmith@stlukeshoreline.org](mailto:rsmith@stlukeshoreline.org) if there are any questions.

This week we will reflect upon 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.

In **Religion** this week we will continue our Lenten journey by beginning our No-Waste Fabric Bunny project to build community with the P4 classes. We'll also continue preparing for the ACRE at the end of this month. 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 *Making a Plan*. **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!**

This week in **Science** we will begin our unit entitled "Spaceship Earth." In this unit, our students explore the Earth, Sun, Moon, and stars using observations of shadows and changing patterns in the sky. Students also explore the planets of our Solar System and begin to consider what might lie beyond.

#### Important Dates THIS week:

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

#### Upcoming Important Dates:

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