

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that Easter is a week away. We have many wonderful activities planned to reflect during Holy Week. We started today with learning about Palm Sunday. And we will continue with The Triduum. On Good Friday, as a school, we will be prayerful and silent as we dismiss at noon to honor and reflect on Jesus's suffering and death.

We are finishing up our IB unit, Indigenous People Express their Culture based on the Resources available for them. It's now time for the children to express themselves using the natural resources around them. They need to take a walk and find things in nature to create and express themselves as the Indigenous people did. It can be a piece of art, craft, or something useful like a tool that an Indigenous person would have used for hunting, gathering or eating. **These projects are due on the Wednesday after Easter Break (April 27th)** so you might want to have your child begin thinking about what they could create. While we will be sending the information attached to this email so you can see what is happening, the children will not be told about it until Monday, April 11.

Given the shortened week, we **will not** be having spelling or grammar in order to finish up some fun projects.

As part of the Archdiocese program "**Call to Protect**", all students participate in two lessons a year about safe touch. It is time for our second lesson. Our last lesson was about physical boundaries and safe and unsafe touching rules. This next lesson is about safe adults. As always, parents may choose for their child to opt out. Attached to this email, is the form to fill out if you do not wish for your child to participate. If we do not hear from you by Monday April 25th, we will assume that your child is participating. We will be teaching on Tuesday the 26th.

This will be our last communication before Easter Break. We wish you all a prayerful, reflective Holy Week and a blessed Easter.

Blessings,

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