



May 2nd, 2022

IB Attribute of the Month: Thinker

Building a world of JOY!

"If you talk to a man in a language he understands, that goes to his head. If you talk to him in his language, that goes to his heart." - Nelson Mandela

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

In **Social Studies** this week we will continue our unit: *"Liberties come with Responsibilities."* The students will still be working in their tavern groups in our simulation of the American Revolution. They will continue to work on their problem-solving skills in collaborative groups of their peers.

In **Religion** this week we will learn about the Domestic Church (Lesson 11) & Called to Holy Orders (Lesson 12). This will connect seamlessly with our visit from the St. Luke Semenarian Joseph Tapia-Beeman on Wednesday afternoon. During our weekly **Second Step** lesson, we will learn about *Dealing with Gossip*. **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 continue 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.

In **Math** with Ms. Bakamis, we will continue our lessons on Adding & Subtracting Fractions. Each student will have time to practice the skill in class and then will have a worksheet to practice the skills learned at home on a nightly basis. In **Math** with Mr. Carson, **we will finish the test on Volume and Surface area on Monday**. We will begin our unit on Statistics on Wednesday. Please double check PowerSchool for any possible missing assignments. 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 each week by Monday, May 9th!**

In **Reading & Spelling** with Ms. Bakamis, we will continue our historical fiction novels this week. We will focus on our comprehension skills in these books as well as our independent reading books. Students will need to read books within their own Lexile Levels and will need to complete an AR comprehension quiz on this book (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 Monday, May 9th due to to Marian Mass on Friday, May 6th.**

In **Grammar** with Mrs. Smith, students will learn about similes and metaphors. Students will work in their interactive notebook on Monday sorting sentences into categories of either similes or metaphors. Fifth graders have been assigned practice lessons and a **Quiz on Similes and Metaphors in MobyMax, due on Friday, May 6.** The grammar assignment is posted in Google Classroom: 5B Writing/Grammar. In **Writing**, students have finished their introduction for the letter to Mr. Boyle about whether chocolate milk should be served in schools or not. Students should be in the final revision stage of their three body paragraphs since they were working on those last week. They will write a final statement and conclusion on Tuesday in class. **The final letter is due on Wednesday morning at 8:30.** For the rest of the week, students will start preparing for a class debate on chocolate milk in schools. The class debate will be next Tuesday, 5/10. All writing assignments are posted in Google Classroom: 5B Writing/Grammar - Research Based Argument Essay. Please email me at rsmith@stlukeshoreline.org if there are any questions.

Important Dates THIS week:

- Monday – P.E., **Spelling Test, Library (Read-Aloud)**
- Tuesday – P.E., **2 pm Dismissal**
- Wednesday – **Free Dress (thanks to Principals Owen & Ali Fortune)**, P.E., **Seminarian visit @ 2pm**
- Thursday – Library, P.E.
- Friday – **Marian Mass followed by Mary Crowning (please bring flowers)**, Music, Design, & **Mid-Trimester Reports (please check PowerSchool)**

Upcoming Important Dates:

- **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 – 5B in the Garden, MYP Play, Fulcrum Celebration of Light**
- **Friday, May 27th – Fundraising DAY OFF!**
- **Monday, May 30th – No School for Memorial Day**