



October 16th, 2022

IB Attributes of the Month: Caring & Balanced

Growing Together in Faith!

“Look deep into nature, and then you will understand everything better.”

- Albert Einstein

Here’s where we’re headed this week in the classroom:

In **Library** with *Mrs. Feucht*, we will continue our lessons on Digital Citizenship. Please ask your student about the family handout they received for additional discussion on this unit! These lessons include the following topics: Media Balance and Well-Being: What does media balance mean for me?, Privacy and Security: What is clickbait and how can you avoid it?, Digital Footprint and Identity: How do gender stereotypes shape our experiences online?, Relationships and Communication: How do you keep online friendships safe?, Cyberbullying and Digital Drama: What is cyberbullying and what can you do to stop it?, News and Media Literacy: What are the important parts of an online news article?.

This week in **Reading & Spelling** with *Ms. Bakamis*, we will read articles tied to our Science unit. We will also continue to focus on reading books within our reading levels and focus on our comprehension skills. We will focus on reading books within our new Lexile Levels and set goals for the trimester. As a nightly practice, the students will be expected to complete at LEAST 30 minutes of reading. **Our first trimester AR goal is 15 points!** We had new Spelling to practice last week. Each student is expected to have practiced their spelling words at LEAST five times over the past two weeks and will turn in their Spelling Notebook prior to their test on Friday, October 21st. We will have our **Spelling Test on Friday, October 21st.**

In **Writing** with *Mr. Scholz*, we shift our focus towards a personal narrative of our choice. This will become our first “showcase” writing, which we will rewrite, revise, and reshape using our knowledge of story structure! We will also continue building our grammatical understanding with “interjections” in our interactive notebooks and MobyMax online tool.

This week in **Science** we will continue our unit on how organic matter cycles through our living world in systems of interdependent parts. Our lessons will focus on ecology and will help the students develop the idea that plants, animals, and fungi form a system of interdependent parts, with each part dependent on the other parts for its material nourishment. This will tie to our upcoming trip to Camp Seymour.

In **Religion** this week we will continue our unit on God, Our Creator and Father. These sessions focus on God's revelation shown in the covenant, God's call shown in the Beatitudes, and how the sacraments help us live God's love in the season of Ordinary Time. In **Second Step**, we will begin a new online curriculum. We will begin our unit entitled "Growth Mindset and Goal Setting." In this unit students will learn how to develop a growth mindset and to plan, modify, and achieve goals. The specific skills that we'll work on are setting a personal goal, making a plan to reach a goal, evaluating the process toward reaching a goal and identifying roadblocks that may get in the way, making changes to overcome roadblocks, and responding to reflection questions. **Each student will be responsible for completing a Homelink connected to each unit with an adult (this is different than prior years).**

This week in **Math** with Ms. Bakamis & Mr. Scholz, we wrap up our unit entitled "Adding and Subtracting Decimals." In this unit we have learned how to estimate sums and differences of decimals, represent addition of decimals, represent addition of tenths & hundredths, use strategies to add decimals, represent subtraction of decimals, represent subtraction of tenths & hundredths, and use strategies to subtract decimals. **We will have our Unit 4 Test on Thursday!** In **Math** with Mr. Carson, we will complete our second unit all about Percentages this week and will begin our review. **Our test will likely be the beginning of next week.** If you have questions, please contact Mr. Carson directly at gcarson@stlukeshoreline.org. **Our weekly ALEKS expectation will be that each student completes at least 5 topics by Sunday night.**

Important Dates THIS week:

- **Monday** – **Hawaiian Day**, PE (5B - please bring your shoes), Music (5A), Library (5A - check out books)
- **Tuesday** – **St. Luke-A-Thon! (5B - We will be making these costumes in class, but students should wear a white shirt and dark colored pants/shorts)**, Music (5B), PE (5A - please bring your shoes), & 2 pm Early Dismissal
- **Wednesday** – **Feast of St. Luke Mass in the CHURCH (best uniforms)**, PE (5B - please bring your shoes), Music (5A), Spanish (5A), Library (5B), Garden Time for both classes
- **Thursday** – **Decade Day**, Great WA State Shake-Out Drill 10.20.22 at 10:20, Music (5B), PE (5A - please bring your shoes), Spanish (5B), & Library (5A)
- **Friday** – **Wear Green (for Color Games)**, Mid-trimester reports go home!, St. Luke Middle School Dance for grades 7 & 8

Upcoming Dates:

- **Tuesday - Friday, October 25th – 28th - Grade 5 goes to camp!**
- **Monday, October 31st (Halloween) - Trunk-or-Treat prek - grade 5**
- **Tuesday, November 1st - All Saints Day All School Mass**
- **Wednesday, November 2nd - Picture retake and class picture day (Best Uniform)**
- **Saturday, November 5th - Bingo Bash**
- **Tuesday, November 8th - All School Open House (6:30-8:00PM)**
- **Thursday, November 10th - Veterans Day Assembly**
- **Friday, November 11th - Veterans Day Holiday (No School)**
- **Friday - Wednesday, November 11th – 23rd - Book Fair**
- **Friday, November 18th - Free Dress Day & Advisory Service Day for MYP**
- **Monday - Wednesday, November 21st – 23rd - Student-led Conferences**
- **Thursday - Sunday, November 24th – 27th - Thanksgiving Break**
- **Sunday, November 27th - First Sunday of Advent**
- **Monday, November 28th - First week of Advent Prayer Service led by 8th grade**