Dear Parents,

The classes talked about the **St. Luke A Thon** yesterday to figure out our theme (costume). They decided that they were St. Luke Spirit and would wear their new spirit wear sport shirt with each of their last names on it. (picture attached) We'd like to add to that shirt with anything that shows spirit. Pompoms, ribbons, bows, socks, or anything you can think of to show spirit. Please no hair color since we have our first mass back in the church the next day.

The week of October 17th is also **spirit week**. More information will be coming about what the theme of each day will be. Tuesday will obviously be St. Luke a Thon and Wednesday will be wear your best uniform for our first school mass back in the church.

In the next part of our inquiry unit on "Weather and Climate Affect Our Daily Life" we will be looking at the climate zones around the world. Early on the children chose cities around the world that they wanted to collect data about their weather. Next week for homework we would like them to find out the weather (high, low, and description (cloudy, sunny....) each day and mark it on the chart. This can be easily done using a weather app or on the computer. We will then use it in class for a number of different projects.

Speaking of homework, remember that in spelling only one activity a night is homework and Moby Max for 5 min a night. You are given lots of choices. While you **may** do as many as you like, by Friday they should have completed the Trace, Copy, Write, and three other activities. Next week is a shortened week (no school Friday) so they only need to complete two other activities and the test is on Thursday. This is the same for the grammar packet. Five minutes of Moby Max fact fluency should be completed every night. It is important for the children to improve their basic fact recall, in addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

This month is Safety month! Next week, we will be working with the children on fire prevention. After our discussions on Monday or Tuesday, the children will be coming home with a homework assignment to complete with you dealing with fire prevention. Their job is to check smoke detectors with you!

The food drive continues this week. Mrs. Smith's class is off to a great start with a number of students already contributing. We love a good competition so let's see which class can bring in the most food. The need is great this year, so please donate what you can. We are responsible for jam, jelly, honey (small/medium jars), cereal, and oatmeal. Check out the Thursday WRAP for the list of all that is needed.

We are updating PowerSchool in preparation for progress reports that will be ready to view Friday, October 21st. Please take a look to see if your child has any missing work. We have had a number of students absent in the first weeks of school so that may account for some missing assignments. We are working to get all students caught up. Thank you for partnering with us on this.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Susan Smith and Valerie Sheehan