



March 12th, 2023

IB Attribute of the Month: Risk-Takers

Growing Together in Faith!

“I was excited at something new, always liked something new, but give credit to everybody who helped. I didn't do anything alone but try to go to the root of the question and succeeded there.” - Katherine Johnson

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

This week in **Writing** with Mr. Scholz, we begin our final sprint toward Exhibition! We are rehearsing presentation scripts and creating displays, planning, promoting and launching “Taking Action” projects, collating interview results and polishing Works Cited pages. The excitement (and yes, perhaps a little stress) as we approach this culminating PYP event shows that our students are taking this seriously and we are so excited for them to share their work with you all on **World Water Day (Wednesday 3/22)!**

In **Religion** this week we focus on the Lenten virtue of **purity** and we will learn more about **St. Agnes**. We will continue our **Lenten Food Drive** and we are also **gathering goods for The Josephinum**. This is a low-income housing property run by Catholic Community Services of Western Washington, in which many residents have struggled with housing insecurity as well as co-occurring mental health and chemical dependency. We will be partnering with the parish on this service opportunity. Please pick up a green bag from the the church vestibule 7:30 am-2:00 pm during the week, or at Sunday Mass. You can then fill the bag with items to be **donated on March 17th**. Thank you for supporting these neighbors in need!

This week in **Math** with Ms. Bakamis & Mr. Scholz, we continue our unit Multiplying Fractions. In this unit, we will learn how to multiply a whole number by a fraction, multiply a fraction by another fraction, multiply mixed numbers, & divide multiples of 100. In **Math** with Mr. Carson, we continue our unit on Geometry this week we will be finding volumes and surface area of 3 dimensional objects. If you have further questions about Mr. Carson's Math class, please contact him via email at gcarson@stlukeshoreline.org. **Our weekly ALEKS expectation is that each student completes at LEAST 5 topics (& at LEAST 45 minutes) by Sunday night.**

In **Science**, we will continue our unit entitled "Water is essential to life and a limited resource for some." This unit is tied to our Exhibition theme. The Exhibition is a culminating project that happens at the end of our Primary Years Program. The students have chosen different water-related issues/problems to learn more about and ultimately take action to improve. In this unit, students consider the profound importance of water as a natural resource. Students will investigate the distribution of water, how it cycles through Earth's systems, and explore how it affects human societies.

This week in **Reading & Spelling** with Ms. Bakamis, each student is expected to complete at LEAST 30 minutes of independent reading as a nightly practice at our own Lexile Level. **Our Second Trimester AR goal is 15 points!** Students will continue with their current Spelling words this week & next week. Each student will need to practice their words at LEAST 5 times (with the addition of our Interactive Word Sort - found on Google Classroom) in their Spelling Notebook. They will need to turn these notebooks in PRIOR to their **Spelling Test on Friday, March 17th!**

Important Dates THIS week:

- **Monday** – PE (5B), Library (5A), **Lenten Reconciliation Service, Lenten Food Drive continues**
- **Tuesday** – Music (5B), PE (5A), & 2 pm Early Dismissal, **Lenten Food Drive continues**
- **Wednesday** – **Wednesday Lenten Mass**, PE (5B), Music (5A), Spanish (5A), **Lenten Food Drive continues**
- **Thursday** – Music (5B), PE (5A), Spanish (5B), **Lenten Food Drive continues**
- **Friday** – **St. Patrick's Day (students may wear green)**, Library (5B), Music (5A), **Spelling Test, Lenten Food Drive ends, End of 2nd Trimester (all missing/late work needs to be completed)**

Upcoming Important Dates:

- **March 17th - MYP Service Day, End of 2nd Trimester**
- **March 22nd – 5th Grade Exhibition (World Water Day!)**
- **March 24th – Report Card Day**
- **March 30th – Vision and Hearing Tests**
- **March 31st – Free Dress & Fish Fry Drive-Thru Dinner!**