Dear Parents,

No school tomorrow for your wonderful children! This gives them a wonderful opportunity to make sure they have completed some projects. Two items that use information from EPIC need to be completed tomorrow if they are not done already. Remember, EPIC is only free during school hours. It shuts down at 3:00. Please have your child share their Nonfiction State book report found on Reading/Spelling Google classroom, and their group region presentation on Regions google classroom or google slides. The state book report is hopefully easy to follow, and most children have completed them already. Mrs. Sheehan is happy to answer any questions about the project during school hours, so have them email her if they are confused. Each child is responsible for certain slides on the region presentation and will be graded on only their slides. Please remind them **NOT** to touch anyone else's slides. We will begin the presentation on Wednesday, so this is also a great time to practice what they are going to say and how they will use the pictures on the slide in their presentation. We will make a copy of the presentation for them to use as they present.

The state floats or suitcases are due on Tuesday, March 14th. All the information, examples and the rubric are on Reading/Spelling google classroom.

The food drive is in full swing. Please donate what you can, the needs are great. Below is a list of what St. Vincent DePaul needs most. The food drive ends next Friday, March 17th.

LISTED BELOW ARE ITEMS THAT WE CURRENTLY NEED:

- 1) Canned fruits: Especially Fruit cocktail or chunky fruits, Mandarin oranges, Peaches, & Pears
- 2) Vegetables: Corn, Carrots, Green Beans, Peas, Mixed Vegetables.
- 3) PASTA SAUCE: Especially red, bottled pasta sauce.
- 4) CEREALS: Raisin Bran, Corn Flakes, Cheerios, Honey Bunches of Oats, Cap'n Crunch, Rice Krispies
- 5) **16-oz jars** of Peanut Butter
- 6) **Small** jars of Jelly or Jam
- 7) Cans of chicken meat
- 8) Meals in a can such as Chili, Dinty Moore beef stew, Chef Boy-R-Dee, etc.
- 9) Boxes of Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, Zatarains, or other Flavored Rice Meals
- 10) Macaroni & Cheese, especially Kraft or Annies

The annual St. Luke Auction is coming soon! This is a fun time to come together as a community to support our school. The children will create a piece of art in each classroom (thank you to the parents who are coordinating this activity), which is usually something all the parents desire. Information went home this week with the youngest students. The website is live with all of the important information and dates. Procurement is due April 7th. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

Students who are Catholic will participate in the sacrament of reconciliation on Monday. We have been preparing students for this great opportunity to grow closer to God.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Susan Smith and Valerie Sheehan