



Dear Parents,

We have survived the first full week of school and we are starting to get into a routine. Regular weekly homework will begin the week of September 25th due to MAPS testing. At **PYP Curriculum Night**, we will go over the many places we have recorded homework and our expectations. We are looking forward to seeing all of you next **Tuesday, September 19th at 6:30**. This will be a joint presentation with both of us.

Next week, we take the first of our **MAPS tests** for the year. These tests are given 3 times during the year in the Fall, Winter, and Spring. Our tests will be on **Monday** (Sept 18), **Tuesday** (Sept. 19), and **Wednesday** (Sept. 20). To help your child do their best on the test please make sure they get plenty of rest and eat a good breakfast. We will be talking to them about taking their time and doing their best to show us where they are in their understanding. Also, we will be letting them know that if they begin to lose focus during the test, we want them to take a break, go to the bathroom, get a drink, or eat their snack.

In IB, *Make Your Voice Count*, the children focused on rules, laws, and democracy. After making observations about rules being followed in pictures we presented to them, they discussed with their group why these rules would be helpful. We then expanded on as a group naming other rules or laws that they could think of, where they came from (home, school, city, state), and how those rules/laws were helpful. From there we learned more about the city of Shoreline Government and discussed how we could use or adapt this to our classroom and the Essential Agreements they created and tied into what democracy means to them and others.

We have a few field trips planned for this year and will need chaperones/drivers. If you'd like to drive (we go in carpools) you have to have some paperwork completed. All of the information for the forms and online classes that need to be completed can be found on the St. Luke School Web page, Parents tab, and then Safety First Requirements.

We will be going to **Mass every Wednesday @ 8:45**. Students should always be in dress uniform. Information on what dress uniform is can be found in the [Family Handbook](#).

We are so lucky to have a **vaccine clinic** here at St. Luke next Tuesday, September 19th from 8:30 - 11:00 in the auditorium. Information is in the Thursday WRAP email.

This is the last email Classroom News that we will be sending. This being the first time we have used Toddle Announcements, we are sending it both ways. Beginning next week it will be coming to you through **Toddle Announcements**. If you are having trouble getting set up please email either Mrs. Sheehan or Mrs. Smith.

Blessings,
Susan Smith and Valerie Sheehan