

## Mrs. Manfred's Class News

December 1, 2023

*"It is the beautiful task of Advent to awaken in all of us memories of goodness  
and thus to open doors of hope."*

-Pope Benedict XVI



### **Upcoming Events:**

- December 6<sup>th</sup> Reconciliation for grades 3-6, 9:30 at church
- December 8<sup>th</sup> Immaculate Conception Mass, 12:15 at church
- December 11<sup>th</sup> Report Cards go home
- December 11<sup>th</sup> Students wear Christmas sweaters with uniform bottoms
- December 13<sup>th</sup> K-8 Rehearsal at church, 1:00
- December 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Program, 6:00 at church
- December 15<sup>th</sup> Class Christmas Party, 1:30 (more info. to come); Red and Green free dress

- December 16<sup>th</sup> through January 1<sup>st</sup> Christmas Break
- January 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Resumes

### **Homework:**

**\*Homework:** The week 8 packet went home today. The **math review is included in the packet.** It is due **Friday, December 8th.**

**\*Spelling Test: Friday, December 8th**

- **Upcoming Quizzes and Tests** (We will review for all in class and the children will bring home these reviews when we are finished so they can study. I have posted the review sheets and answer keys for both the “Water & Climate” and “Grammar” quizzes on my website under the “Documents” tab. If you want to use those to study at home, please feel free to print them. The Social Studies vocabulary and the answer keys to the math pre-assessment reviews are also available on my website for you to access.)
  - December 5<sup>th</sup>, Social Studies map vocabulary
  - December 6<sup>th</sup>, Water and Climate Quiz
  - December 6<sup>th</sup>, Grammar Quiz
  - December 7<sup>th</sup>, Unit 2 Math Test

### **Important Information:**

- **Operation Christmas Child:** Our school packed 64 boxes to ship! I posted the pictures at the top of the newsletter.
- **Annual Fund:** Please consider donating to our Annual Fund. Information can be found in the Monday News and on our website.
- **Auction:** Your family should have received the “Auction Bread and Butter Kit” packet a week ago. Please refer to this resource for sponsorship opportunities and ideas for procurement. Thank you in advance for your generosity of this annual fundraiser on April 27<sup>th</sup>!
- **Technology:** I sent home an email last week on how to access Google Classroom and websites at home. I will post this information in the documents section of my website.

- **Christmas Program:** The program will take place on Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at St. Al's church. The children are asked to wear a certain main color per grade level. They are as follows:
  - 3<sup>rd</sup>: Gold
  - 4<sup>th</sup>: White

### **Highlights from our Week:**

- **Math:** 4<sup>th</sup> graders began wrapping up their unit on multiplying larger multi-digit numbers using several strategies. The 3<sup>rd</sup> graders focused on graphing this week, as well as multiplication review.
- **Social Studies:** We practiced for our map vocabulary quiz next week.
- **Religion:** We began our study of the Jesse Tree! We painted our own Jesse Trees. During this unit, we will read a beautiful story of the Jesse Tree and meet all of Jesus' ancestors in the Bible. As we read each story, we will add an ornament to our trees. We also experienced a sweet Chapel Mass on Thursday!
- **Science:** We practiced for our quiz next week.
- **Reading:** The 4<sup>th</sup> graders wrapped up their novel study of "Island of the Blue Dolphins" with a final lit circle discussion and a quiz.
- **Writing:** The children continued writing in their gratitude journals.
- **Grammar:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> graders continued to study pronouns and the 4<sup>th</sup> graders verbs.
- **Technology:** We used the Google accounts to log into "Climate Types For Kids." We used this website to learn about the different climates of the world.

