

Mrs. Manfred's Class News

April 12, 2024

*"It's always Spring in the heart that loves God."
-Author unknown*



Thank you to Brady for bringing solar glasses for us to use to watch the eclipse! That was awesome!

Upcoming Events:

- April 17th, Class Pictures
- April 18th, Easter All School Mass at church, 9:30
- April 27th, Auction, 5:00 p.m.
- April 22nd – May 10th MAP Testing
- May 2nd, Living Rosary at church, 10:00
- May 9th, Marian Mass, 9:30 at church
- May 9th, Spring Pop's Concert, 6:00 p.m.
- May 10th, No School, Teacher In-service
- May 28th, Fish Hatchery Field Trip
- May 29th, All 3rd and 4th Grade Class Retreat at GU
- May 31st, Generation Alive Packing Day

Homework:

***Packet #20** went home today. There is a math study guide for the test. **The 4th graders need to study their geometry vocab for this test too!**

***Spelling Test:** The children will have their spelling test on **Friday, April 19th**.

***Math Test:** Unit 5 math test will be this **Tuesday, April 16th**. I put the answer key to the study guide on my website for you to check answers.

Important Information:

- **Fruit Donations:** Please look for the Google Doc that went out asking for fruit donations for our seed experiment on Tuesday. If you signed up, please have send them in on the morning of Tuesday, April 16th. Let me know if you couldn't open the Google Doc. I had trouble sharing it. Thank you!!
- **Class Party:** Your wonderful children earned another class party. It will be next Friday April 19th. They of course voted on free comfy/cozy dress, bringing a stuffie and/or blanket, and watching a movie. If you can donate treats for our party, please let me know. Thank you!
- **MAP Testing:** We will have our last round of MAP testing this year soon. Here are the dates for our class.
 - Tuesday, April 23rd

- Tuesday, April 30th
- Tuesday, May 7th
- **Basketball Uniform Return:** If you haven't already done so, please return your basketball uniforms to Mr. Alford. Thank you!
- **Annual Auction:** Save the date for our Annual Auction on April 27th. Please see the Monday News for Auction updates and procurement ideas.
- **At the Parish:** The "Caring for Creation Fair" is Sunday, April 21 after morning Masses (from 9:15-1:00 p.m.) in the lot west of the church.

Highlights from our Week:

- **Math:** Both grade levels began their new Calendar grids and collectors for the month. The 3rd graders are focusing on fractions for both their grid and collector. The 4th graders are focusing on geometry for their grid and are collecting decimeters. Both grade levels wrapped up their math units this week. We will have a test on Tuesday.
- **Religion:** We wrapped up our learning about the Triduum and Easter. We also listened to another meditative podcast on Mary Magdalene finding the open tomb. These podcasts have been so powerful for the children in actively visualizing the real events that took place so many years ago.
- **Social Studies:** We learned about Chief Garry's final days.
- **Science:** We began our final unit of the school year, "Structures of Life." This week we looked at some fun observation charts and guessed what they were. We also began to look at what a seed actually is and what is living inside of it.
- **Language Arts:** The kids are super excited about their new writing project! They are researching theories of what happened to the "Mary Celeste" and are putting their detective clues to work to solve the case! With this project, they are using all of their comprehension strategies (schema, questioning, inferring, connecting, visualizing, highlighting, note taking) to make their cases! This week we also began new novel studies. The 3rd

3rd graders are reading "Charlotte's Web" and the 4th graders are reading "The BFG."

