Mrs. Manfred's Class News

November 3, 2023

"Let us make best of the fleeting moments. They will not return." -St. Marianne Cope



Upcoming Events:

- November 8th-9th No School, Conferences
- November 10th, Veteran's Day, No School
- November 13-16, Operation Christmas Child Collection
- November 17, Operation Christmas Child Packing Day
- November 17, Free Dress for Fall Sports (sport uniform on top and school uniform bottoms)
- November 22nd K-8 Dismissal at 12:00, ELC Dismissal at 3:00
- November 23rd-24th Thanksgiving, No School

Homework:

***Homework**: None! Enjoy a break for Conferences! ***Spelling Test: None!**

Important Information:

- Free GU reading tutoring clinic is offered each semester! This does fill up quickly, but you can contact them at <u>reiber@gonzaga.edu</u> for more information. Chris Reiber is the Saturday Literacy Coordinator for the tutoring.
- Halloween Party: Thanks to everyone who helped make our party fun!
- **Conferences:** I look forward to seeing everyone at conferences on November 8th and 9th. Please schedule on Skyward before November 6th.
- **Operation Christmas Child:** The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations.

Every year since, Samaritan's Purse has collected shoebox gifts filled with toys, school supplies, and hygiene items for children around the world. For the past 20 years at St. Aloysius, we have been supporting this organization and modeling the importance for global awareness for our K-8 students. Students have the opportunity to experience hands-on service and sharing Christ's light with others.

- Dates of collection: Nov. 13th-16th
- **Packing**: November 17th.
- Kick-off: Monday Morning Prayer, November 6th
- How families donate:
 - ✓ Sign-up sheets will be available for each class.
 - Select a medium to large "wow" item such as a soccer ball with pump or stuffed animal, then fill with other fun toys, hygiene items, and school supplies. Don't forget to also include a personal note and photo—sometimes these are the child's favorite things to receive! We are collecting items for either a boy or a girl ages 5-9. These items must fit in a shoebox.
 - ✓ A donation of \$10 per box is critical to cover shipping and other project costs.

Highlights from our Week:

- Math: 4th graders are learning a strategy for multiplying larger numbers by doing the distributive property. The 3rd graders are learning strategies for multiplication of smaller numbers. Both grades began new Number Corners this week. The 4th graders are exploring elapsed time. The 3rd graders are exploring area and fractions.
- Social Studies: We continued creating our continent maps.
- **Religion:** For the month of November, we are learning about one Saint a week. This week our focus was St. Ignatius of Loyola. The kids also did an amazing job leading the All Saints Mass! They were wonderful saints!
- Science: On Halloween, we enjoyed doing a fun STEM activity. We built bone bridges to hold candy pumpkins! This week, we also continued learning about the properties of water with a fun experiment.
- **Reading:** We continued both our comprehension study and novel studies.
- Writing: We enjoyed writing some haunted house stories for Halloween. In honor of Thanksgiving, we began to keep a daily gratitude journal for the month of November.

• **Technology:** We watched the video, "Screenagers." This is the student video that went along with the parent night a few weeks ago. The video talks about internet safety. The children had a great discussion to go along with this video.