

St. Rita's School

Fourth Grade News of the Week January 30, 2012



Welcome to Catholic Schools Week! If you noticed in the "Passport," there are lots of activities this week to celebrate our Catholic schools. Don't forget to turn in your hot lunch form if you want to join us for lunch on Friday, which is a half-day, and which will include our semester Awards Ceremony at 10:30.

Please check your Parent Handbook for details on the criteria for semester awards because tardiness and absences do play a part in the process!

I am trying to schedule a field trip to Mission San Diego de Alcalá for April. While this may seem like a long ways away, given that we are almost to Lent, it will be here before we know it. I will need at least 5 – 6 drivers/chaperones who will drive us there and stay with us to help supervise small groups of students. The Mission staff does not allow us to bring along any younger siblings, just so you know, and every driver and chaperone must be LiveScanned prior to our trip. If you can help, (and this is worth service hours!) please let Mrs. Knapp know as soon as you can. I am trying to get the date of Friday, April 27, and we would leave school at noon and return by 2:30. Thank you in advance!

Subject Tidbits

Religion

- Faith in Action and parishes
- Unit review of Chapters 9 - 12
- Unit 3 test on Friday
- The 4th grade is in charge of the Mass on Wednesday, Feb. 1 at 8:45. Please come!

Reading

- Genre: Biography
- “Abraham Lincoln”
- Sequencing
- Fact and opinion

Language Arts

- Writing with “voice”
- Writing good endings
- Revising and elaborating details
- Spelling Bee on Thursday, Feb. 2 in the 3rd grade classroom at 10:30
- Spelling, Lesson 19 all week, test on Friday
- Ask your child about their mystery story project. It is called “Character Cards” and is due **Monday, Feb. 13.**

Math

- Interpreting remainders.
- Reading strategies in math
- Dividing with 2-digit divisors
- More problem solving
- Division and estimation
- Keep practicing those multiplication facts!

Social Studies

- Mission projects on display through Friday, Feb. 3. All Missions need to be taken home that day. Any left in class will be disposed of because CCD is in session on Saturday.
- California statehood!
- Entrepreneurs

Science

- Clouds and precipitation
- Meteorologists and weather prediction (well, most of the time!)
- Students will have a weather reporting assignment, which is due Tuesday, Feb. 7

Please join us at Mass on Wednesday, Feb. 1 at 8:45, and for the Awards Ceremony on Friday, Feb. 3 at 10:30.

Mrs. Watson

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