

February 26, 2010

Dear Parents,

We welcomed the Lenten season last week by attending Ash Wednesday Mass. Please remember that first graders and seventh graders will attend the 8:00 am Mass on Wednesdays during Lent. I do encourage everyone to be there on time, as it is the start of the school day. Parents are welcome to attend with us!

Students will be expected to share an oral book report this month. They are being asked to read a story of their choice AND ability. The week of March 15th they will present their report by showing the cover, giving the name of the book and author and by giving a brief summary of the story. In addition, they should bring in 2-3 items that relate to their story.

Below is a list of topics we'll be covering in the month of March.

RELIGION - Lent, Moses and how he led God's people, how we show our love for God

MATH - tens and ones, ordering/comparing numbers to 100

SCIENCE - habitats and environments

SOCIAL STUDIES - life long ago, how the past differs from today

LANGUAGE ARTS

phonics/spelling- comparative endings -er, -est,
long a spelled ai/ay, long e spelled ea, long o spelled
oa/ow

high frequency words- before, does, good-bye,
right, won't, about, enjoy, gives, surprise, worry,
would, colors, draw, drew, great, over, show, sign,
found, mouth, once, took, wild

writing and grammar- writing a friendly letter,
adjectives, writing a realistic story, graphic
organizers, compound words, synonyms

comprehension- steps in a process, drawing
conclusions, details and facts

SHARE

week of 3/1- something green
week of 3/8- good luck charm
week of 3/15- book reports
week of 3/22- free choice

It was so nice to see many of you at Mass this past Sunday. Hopefully, you will be able to join us on St. Patrick's Day for 9:30 Mass. First graders will be leading the congregation with readings and songs that we be will practicing in class.

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