



Munhall Memo

Shaping Hearts and Minds in the Service of Christ.

March 8, 2019

Upcoming Events

- March 8-** Second and Third Grade Lead Stations of the Cross
- March 14-** Third Grade Leads Mass
- March 15-** Desserts provided by Third Grade for Fish Fry
- March 18-** Muffins with Mom 8:00 a.m.
- March 19-** Final Farm Bureau Posters and Permission Slips Due
- March 20-** Rescheduled CPAC Play
- March 20-** Spaghetti Dinner
- March 22-** End of Term (Date moved due to snow days)
- March 25-** Donuts with Dad 8:00 a.m.
- March 25-** Scholastic Orders Due
- March 26-27-** Optional Parent Teacher Conferences
- March 29-April 8-** Spring Break
- April 9-** School Resumes

Next Week

The Unit 22 Spelling Test will be Tuesday, Spelling bingo sheets are due Wednesday.

Students will have a Math Chapter 9 Lessons 1-4 Quiz Friday.

There will be a Simple Solutions Quiz over lessons 89-92 Friday.

Fill the Ark

Your child brought home a Fill the Ark bank and giving calendar in his or her Friday Folder this week. Saint Mary School and Parish are participating in donations to the Heifer Project as a way practice almsgiving for Lent. If your family would like to participate in this project, please make sure that all donations are turned into the school or parish no later than Thursday, April 18th. If you have any further questions about this organization, please do not hesitate to contact the parish office for more information!

March is Reading Month

Turn off technology and read day is March 9,10,16 or 17. Students only have to go 1 day without technology, but it must be one of those four days. All reading on these days must be from a book-no kindles, e-readers, phones, iPads, etc. All letters from parents stating their child has participated must be in by March 18th. Those that participate will have a free dress day on March 25th! Additional pink reading logs were sent home with your children this week. Any minutes that your child puts on this reading log can also be used for our class reading log. Top readers in each class will get a prize and the top reader in school will receive a special prize. In case of ties a name will be drawn from a hat to determine the winner. The class that reads the most will win a pizza party!

This Week's Focus

Phonics- This week students reviewed words with r-controlled vowels *are, ere, air, eir, and are*.

Reading- Students excitedly started our reading groups this week where they worked in three different groups. One group met with me to help further comprehension of their selected novels, one group worked in an individual literature circle where each member had a specific job, and the last group of this week's rotation took notes in their reading interactive journals about plot.

Writing- We continued in our informational writing unit this week with students continuing to find notes tailored to their selected subtopics. We also discussed the difference between paraphrasing and plagiarism.

Spelling- This week students continued to study words containing r-controlled vowels. This week's words contain *are, ere, air, eir, and are*. A challenge and regular list were used this week. I also started my research project with the class by introducing the new spelling homework for half of the students in the class. In two weeks, the other half of the class will get the chance to work with the new spelling homework. Again, if you have any further questions about this research please do not hesitate to contact me!

Math- This week students continued to use known strategies to assist in multiplying and dividing 11's and 12's. Ask your child to explain the strategy we use to quickly and efficiently multiply by 12's.

Religion- This week we discussed the different aspects of Lent. Ask your child how they plan on growing in prayer this Lent. I was so impressed with the reverence that the second-grade and third-grade classes both showed when presenting Stations of the Cross for the school. Thank you for supporting your children in this special prayer!

Science- This week we reviewed some of the different types of weather and what causes these types of weather.

Responsibility

"The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully."

2 Corinthians 9:6