Shaping Hearts and Minds in the Service of Christ.

Upcoming Events

September 17- NO SCHOOL
September 18- NWEA Assessment Window
Opens
September 24- Scholastic Orders DUE

- September 26- Non-Uniform Day
- September 27 Third Grade Leads Mass
- October 1- Half Day of School, 11:35 p.m.dismissal

Next Week

Our Unit Three Spelling Test will be Tuesday. Bingo Sheets are due Wednesday. If for any reason you cannot locate your child's list or bingo sheet, it is available on our classroom website.

The day of our Chapter 14 Math Test has been changed to Wednesday.

Students will have a Simple Solutions Quiz over lessons 9-12 Thursday.

Virtue of the Month

Patience *"Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful."*

1 Corinthians 13:4

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This Week's Focus

September 14, 2017

Phonics- Students continued work on soft vowel sounds this week. We specifically focused on the soft *u* sound. Ask your child to recall the title of the poem we used to help us remember the soft *u* sound.

Reading- Students continued working on the skill of questioning this week. We read *The Stranger* by Chris Van Allsburg. Students used questioning before, during, and after reading to figure out just exactly who the stranger was in this book. Ask your child to recall one clue from this book that helped to give away the identity of the stranger.

Writing- The second week of our personal narrative writing unit went wonderfully! Students completed a pre-writing assessment where they drafted, wrote, revised, edited and published a personal narrative about a time when they were sick or hurt. Students are now able to list elements of a personal narrative. Students also became personal narrative topic detectives in a scavenger hunt around our classroom.

Spelling- The focus of this week's spelling unit is the soft *u* sound. This week the challenge list and regular list were both used. Just a reminder that students have a full week to complete one bingo for spelling homework. I know that there is a lot of hard work needed to complete one bingo each week, so it would be beneficial to work on the sheet throughout the week.

Math- Students continued work in Chapter 14 this week. We have been working on classifying and listing attributes of various quadrilaterals. Fractions were introduced in the last lesson of this chapter. To help us better understand how we can evenly split up different shapes, the class used shape blocks.

Religion- This week we started in Chapter 1 of our new religion series. The lessons in Chapter 1 focus largely on The Trinity. Ask your child why The Trinity is similar to an ice cream cone or an apple.

Science- We had a fun week in science learning all about gravity, motion, and force. Students put their knowledge of force to the test in a game of marbles. Ask your child why force is measured in Newtons.