Shaping Hearts and Minds in the Service of Christ.

September 21, 2017

## Upcoming Events

September 24- Scholastic Orders DUE September 25- NWEA Reading Assessment Third Grade

September 26- NWEA Language Arts Assessment Third Grade

- September 26- Non-Uniform Day September 27- NWEA Math Assessment Third Grade
- September 27 Third Grade Leads Mass October 1- Box Tops DUE October 1- Half Day of School, 11:35 p.m. dismissal, childcare OPEN

Next Week Our Unit Four 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.

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Students will have a Science Test on Unit 1 Tuesday.

Students will have a Simple Solutions Quiz over lessons 13-16 Thursday.

There will be a Ch. 1 Math Quiz over lessons 1-3 Wednesday

> Virtue of the Month Patience

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

1 Corinthians 13:4

## REMINDER

• We are once again asking families, neighbors and friends to find those box tops and bring them in to your child's class. • The school is looking for the classroom with the most box • tops to be our FALL CHAMPIONS for the 2018-2019 school year. All box tops are due to each classroom by October 1, 2018. Good Luck Everyone!

## This Week's Focus

Phonics- Students started working on digraph and diphthong oi and *ou* this week. Ask your child why we refer to *oi* and *oy* words as "oi boys" and ow and ou words as "pinch people."

Reading- We wrapped up questioning this week with the story The True Story of the Three Little Pigs. Students asked questions before, during, and after reading to help aid in their comprehension of the story. Ask your child if they think the wolf is telling the truth throughout the story. We started note taking on fairy tales, fables, myths, and folk tales and read one of my favorite books, The Paper Bag Princess. Ask your child which genre this book would fall under.

Writing- This week students learned two different ways that writers come up with good writing topics. We created webs that helped us think of memories we have had with a special person and made a chart that described a time when we were feeling strong emotions.

Spelling- The focuses of this week's spelling unit are the "oi" and "ou" sounds. This week the challenge list and regular list were both used. I have seen so much hard work put into the Spelling Bingo sheets. I love seeing the creative stories, beautiful drawings, neat handwriting, and funny comics that your children work so hard to produce!

Math- This week students completed Chapter 14 and took our first math test. We are now going to work in our first book in Chapter 1. This chapter will focus on place value, ordering numbers, and rounding.

Religion- This week we continued to work in Unit 1 of our new religion series. We focused on The Trinity as well as The Apostle's Creed. We learned that the word creed comes from the Latin word credo meaning "I Believe." Students were able to make their own creeds where they wrote their own beliefs about The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit.

Science- We continued to learn all about gravity, force, and motion this week. Students discovered the difference between unbalanced and balanced forces and how that can change the motion of an object. We went out on the playground to see just how many forces we use every day that we do not even think about.

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