



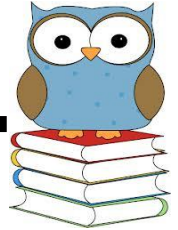
Mrs. Hammar's

Weekly News

May 15, 2017

We are **S. T. A. R. S.**

Students Teaming up for Achievement, Responsibility, and Service



This Week's Focus:

Reading – This week we are reading about *The California Gold Rush*. This story is Expository Text about the early pioneers flocking to the West to mine Gold. Comprehension and Vocabulary tests will be given on **Friday**. Spelling sight words have been assigned. The pre test is **WEDNESDAY** with a final test on **Friday**. The website has been updated and Spelling City will be up to date for practice. ☺

ELA / Writing – This week we will learn about writing Opinion pieces. We all have opinions for sure...let's learn how to express them in a professional manner ☺

Religion – Two weeks – two Commandments...this week we will learn the basis of the Ninth Commandment. This Commandment focuses on our feelings, sharing love and modesty. 4th Grade is hosting Mass this week ☺ We will also go over to the church for Adoration on Wednesday.

Math – We have returned for a more in depth look at fractions this week. Our lessons this week are on equivalents, simplifying, and comparing and ordering fractions. Please continue to practice facts up to 12s at home ☺

Social Studies – This week we finally made it to the West Region! We begin by learning about the early history of the area and then we will learn about the Gold Rush in more detail. Students should have a study guide traveling back and forth to school with them as they study capital cities, abbreviations, and map locations. There will be matching tests for the capitals and map locations but students need to know the two-letter abbreviations. **This test will be on Friday, May 19th.** Our field trip to Sauder Village on Thursday will incorporate many of the things we have read about from our early history lessons of the US regions.

Science – This week we are learning about physical and behavioral animal adaptations. We will then read about plant adaptations as well. Animal Research papers and posters are due on **Wednesday, May 17th**. We have gone to the computer lab 3 times over the past week. Hopefully projects are well underway ☺



Our Mission:

St. Joseph School is a Catholic Community that helps all persons to grow to the fullness of their potential in faith and knowledge.



Reminders / Notes:

Please remember to pack a lunch for your child through the end of the year. There will be no more hot lunch this month.

Parents: Our Lost and Found is overflowing!! If you are missing any items or winter clothing, please ask your child to check the bin!!

Please remember to send in a healthy snack with your child. Student Council is selling snacks for \$.50. Snacks include; fruit snacks, pretzels, veggie straws, and chips

Next Year, Please plan on attending our PTG meetings if you are able. Many exciting plans are in the works for our school, students, and families. Many of the events need numerous volunteers. Please see what you can do to help – plus your child earns a Jeans Day pass ☺

Our school store is open on Wednesday and Friday. Students may shop for fun and unique school supplies from 7:45-8:00. Most items are \$.25, \$.50. or \$.75. ☺

Please wear class t-shirts on Tuesday with uniform bottoms.

Students should read 20 minutes each night.

Don't forget to collect Box-Tops for our class!

Important Dates:

May 17th – Nacho sale

May 18th – Field Trip to Sauder Village. Pack a sack lunch and wear class shirts!

May 19th - Mass @ 8:30 am presented by the 4th grade ...All are Welcome!!

May 24th – Field Day (afternoon) Bring water bottles and a towel to sit on outside.

May 26th – Last Day of School!!



Specials Schedule:

M	12:48 pm 2:27 pm	Music Art (every other wk.)
T	1:21 pm	Art
W	12:48 pm 1:38 pm	Music P. E. *
Th	1:25 pm 2:27 pm	P. E. * Technology
F	1:21 pm	Technology

*DRESS In GYM Clothes on P.E. days

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