

5TH GRADE WEEKLY DIGEST



St. Patrick's School – Week of August 24, 2009 – Boever, DeWald, & Johnson



IMPORTANT WEEKLY REMINDERS:

- *Tuesday: 5th—8th Grade Curriculum Night: 6:30 & 7:00 State of the School Address 7:00 & 7:30/ Math 2—ch. 1 checkpoint quiz 1*
- *Wednesday:*
- *Thursday: Social Studies—Map Quiz/ Math 1 & 3—Quiz*
- *Sunday: School Carnival 1:30—5:30 PM*

SNEAK PEEK AT NEXT WEEK:

- *Monday: Social Studies—Geography Review Test*
- *Tuesday: Math 2– Ch.1 Checkpoint quiz 2*
- *Thursday/Friday: Picture Day*

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Off to a Great Start

Last week was awesome, and we are looking forward to many more. Thank you for sharing your children with us this year! We are eager to get to know each of your children and to challenge them to do and be their best. Please don't hesitate to contact any of us throughout the year.

We have some new books in 5th grade and are asking to have them covered (paper or cloth coverings). If you are not sure how to cover the books, we would be happy to help them do it.

Open House Tuesday

On Tuesday we will have the annual curriculum night with two information sessions. The first session will be from 6:30 to 6:55 and the second one will run 7:00 to 7:25. All of the fifth grade meeting Mrs. DeWald's room. While the meeting is not mandatory, it would be awesome if at least one parent from each family could attend.

There will also be a brief meeting after each session with Mr. Rider where he will discuss what is happening and the expectations at St. Patrick's School.

Edline Update



We are still working to get Edline up and running.

Edline is the site you can use to access your child's current grades. We hope to get the site complete in the next week. New families will be provided instructions for creating an account. Existing families will be able to access your account with the same log on and password information you used last year. We will let you know when the site is ready.

Week in Preview

ENGLISH

We are off to a wonderful start of the school year! This week we began taking a look at editing paragraphs and taking an overview of what we will be covering this year in English. During the upcoming week, we will take a look at subjects and predicates.



MATH

The students will be working on mastery of all facts—including reducing fractions and percents this year. It is very important that they know their facts. This will increase their success in math and help avoid frustration. The students are learning how to take notes in a math notebook and how to copy from the math book. The math notebook will contain all the notes on how to complete the days lesson.

Math 1 & 3:

A pretest was give over the chapter 1 last week. Both classes are working on chapter 1, but at different paces. The focus is on place value of whole numbers and decimals. There will be a quick quiz for both classes on Thursday over the concepts presented this week.

Math 2:

We have begun Chapter 1: Decimals. We have reviewed whole numbers and their place value, and this week we will work on reading and writing decimals, as well as comparing, ordering, estimating, and adding/subtracting with them. There will be a quiz on Tuesday over lessons 1—3.

Reading

We will be reviewing the skills of problem & solution and making inferences as we wrap up our first story of the unit. We will also be writing a short personal narrative about a time we solved a problem.

Religion

Fifth graders get to learn about becoming altar servers for mass this week. We will be meeting Mr. Willis in the church to practice, so make sure your child has read over the server packet that was given to them last week.

Science

The 5th graders are extremely eager to dive into learning! It was very apparent during science during the past few days. Each of the kiddos learned that sometimes you run into obstacles or problems and you have to work through it and attempt to solve it. While solving "problems", we learned and worked through the scientific method. This process will help the kiddos during experiments and class this year and is important that they understand the steps. I am excited for the year of learning in science!

Social Studies

We started the year off with a geography review of globes and maps. The students will be taking a map quiz over the 7 continents and 4 oceans on Thursday and a test over our notes on Friday. Everything they need to study for the test is in their notebooks. We will be reviewing everyday next week.

