

Mrs. D'Aprix's Second Grade News

Week of March 2, 2020

Saint Kateri School Mission Statement

We at Saint Kateri School strive to continue to develop each child's relationship with God by providing a Christ-centered Catholic academic education focused on the Gospel message of love, responsibility and service to others.

Junior Achievement

We are excited to welcome **Mr. Chasmar Wells** from M&T Bank to our SKS second grade class as part of the **Junior Achievement** outreach program. Mr. Wells is one of many **community volunteers** that come into classrooms to teach students about **communities, citizenship and economics**. This week Mr. Wells helped us explore the **variety of jobs** that adults do to **support their communities**. We also discussed the difference between **wants and needs**, and practiced identifying both. We look forward to continuing our work with Mr. Wells during the next few weeks.

SKS Canned Food Collection

March 9 ... canned vegetables

March 16 ... canned fruit

March 23 ... canned beans

March 30 ... canned pasta

Our SKS second grade students are very enthusiastic about designing a **community building** for "Can-struction" Day! As a class, we have decided to build a **Wegmans**, complete with a **logo, food, a parking lot** and a variety of **accessories!**

We will need **plenty of cans** to use on "Can-struction" Day. Many students have

also expressed interest in bringing **various accessories** from home to **make our Wegmans as realistic** as possible.

Please see the list above and consider sending in **cans of food**. Thanks to all who have donated so far! This will be our **SKS school-wide Lenten Service Project** in support of our **local food shelf**. In second grade, we hope to collect between **100 and 200 cans**, so that we will have a substantial amount of building material to use for our **Wegmans "Can-struction"** on April 2.

Marvelous Math

Upon completion of our chapter on **subtraction of two-digit numbers with regrouping**, we are ready to begin our study of **place value** and **three-digit numbers**. Our students will learn to **recognize** and **compare** numbers from **0-1,000**.

At school we **practice** understanding three-digit numbers using **counting collections**. A counting collection is any **compilation of like objects that can be sorted and counted**, such as paper clips, Lego blocks, dried beans, marbles, etc. Your student can **practice with counting collections** at home.

As always, please continue to use online resources such as **Splash Math** to help your student develop greater **confidence and fluency** with addition and subtraction **math facts up to twenty**. This is the time to help your student develop a **strong math foundation!**

SKS Spring Pictures

SKS **Spring School Pictures** will be taken at school on **March 30** and **March 31**. Our class has not yet been scheduled for the exact date ... we'll let you know as soon as possible. Students may **dress up or dress down** (appropriately) for these photos!

Stations of the Cross

It is our tradition at **Saint Kateri School** to pray the **Stations of the Cross** together during **Lent**. Family members are always welcome to join us. The next schoolwide saying of the **Stations** is scheduled for **Thursday, March 12 @ 2:15**. Stations of the Cross are also scheduled for **Friday 3/20, Friday 3/27** and **Thursday 4/2**.

Second Grade Mass

On **Tuesday, April 14** at **8:45 p.m.**, the **SKS Mass** will be prepared and led by our second grade students. We **invite** all of our **families to attend** with us as we **cantor, read, usher**, bring up the **offertory gifts** and **lead** our schoolmates in **prayer**. If your child volunteers to be a **reader** for this Mass, copies of the readings will be sent home for **practice**.

Outdoor Recess Reminder

Hopefully our **temperatures** will continue to **moderate**, and we will be able to **go outside** more frequently for **recess**. During the **changeable weather** of March, please

remember that your child may still need **boots** and **snow pants** to play on the **wet playground**. Your child might also need **gloves** and a **hat** on any given day. As always, some families may choose to **leave outdoor recess clothes in school** so that a student is always **ready for the outdoors ...** no matter what the weather!

General Reminders

Splash Math Class Code: BXPBPA

Scholastic Book Order Code: P9PYN

Words of the Day ... gaze, echo, hideous, nibble, clumsy

Tuesday, March 10 ... SKS Mass, 8:45 a.m.

Thursday, March 12 ... Stations of the Cross, 2:15 p.m.

Friday, March 13 ... 11:30 Dismissal

Tuesday, March 17 ... Quiet Mass, Grades 2 and 5, 8:45 a.m.

March 30-31 ... Spring Picture Days

Wednesday, April 1 ... Spirit Shirt Day

Thursday, April 2 ... "CAN-struction"; return Lent Bowls

Friday, April 3 ... Spring Conference Day, no school

April 6-10 ... Easter Recess, no school

Tuesday, April 14 ... SKS Mass led by Grade 2, 8:45 a.m.