

4th Grade Newsletter October 7-11

Reading

Stories this week: Animal Senses and Blind Ambitions

Skills: Ask and Answer, Text Structure

Vocabulary Words: accepted, familiar, savor, enhance,

relish, obstacles, command, denying, adapt, comfort

Grammar Focus: Proper Nouns **Spelling Focus**: Homophones

Math

This week we begin turning our attention largely over to multiplication. It's time to dust off the multiplication facts cob webs! We'll be seeing how multiplication and division are connected to each other and determine similarities and differences between multiplication/division and addition/subtraction.

Religion

As we wrap up our first unit in Finding God, we will be learning about Ordinary Time as a liturgical season. We'll discuss when the Church celebrates Ordinary Time and how Ordinary Time encourages us to share God's light with others.

Science

This week we will begin our botany unit. We begin by discussing vascular versus nonvascular plants and learning how plants make their own food through the process of photosynthesis.

Social Studies

We're wrapping up our discussions on four of Washington's major rivers, important lakes, and our various mountain ranges. We'll complete a review of this information on Thursday and test next week.

Upcoming Dates

Oct. 1-10- Pet Food Drive

Oct. 5- Salmon Days Parade

Oct. 7-10- Book Fair

Oct. 11- No School (Professional Development)

Oct. 18- Principal's List Free Dress

Oct. 22- Picture Day

Oct. 25- Mass at OLOS (4th Grade Hosts)

Upcoming Tests

Oct. 10- Session 5 Religion Quiz

Oct. 10- MAP Test in the afternoon

Other Notes:

- Due to the shortened week, spelling will be tested on Thursday, Oct. 10.
- Our Veteran's Day Assembly is the morning of November 7th. It will take place in the gym at 8:30 in the morning. All are welcome to attend! I am looking for photos of family members who have served or are currently serving, so that they can be recognized for the sacrifices they have made/are making. Please e-mail photos to me by Oct. 25th.
- Don't forget! Our pet food drive is happening now! Please send in unopened containers of food to donate. Thank you for thinking of our furry friends!!

These are the spelling words that will be tested Oct. 10:

- 1. wait
- 2. weight
- 3. heard
- 4. herd
- 5. days
- 6. daze
- 7. heel
- 8. heal
- 9. peak
- **10.** peek
- **11.** sent
- **12.** cent
- 13. scent
- **14.** feet
- **15.** feat
- **16.** vain
- **17.** vane
- **18.** vein
- 19. miner
- 20. minor
- **21.** throat
- 22. known
- 23. stock
- 24. online
- 25. allowed
- **26**. aloud
- **27**. who's
- 28. whose

Prayer:

Loving God, bless each of us this week. Help us nourish a deep faith that brings us closer to you with each passing day. As we open our hearts and minds to your love, may all our words and actions be a living witness to the wonderful love you have for us. Amen.

SLE of the week:

A Socially Responsible Citizen who:

3b. Respects diversity.