

**7TH GRADE
NEWS & INFORMATION**

1/16/17 – 1/20/17

CLASS UPDATES

SUCCESES: In the book-publishing world this is the time of year when awards are given for books published in the previous year. So we have been talking a lot about books that have meaningful to us over the past year. On Tuesday, I had student write down a favorite line from one of their favorite books. I was really impressed with the lines they chose because it shows how the power of words has affected them. These lines are displayed on the bulletin board outside our classroom. Parents, I encourage you to come and take a look at them.

Again Mrs. Holtgrewe complement the class on what good role model they were for their second grade buddies in mass this week.

We had some great discussions this week in religion, one about hope and another about Martin Luther Kings Jr. and his final “I Have Been to the Mountaintop” speech. These would be great conversations to continue at home.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH: The students need to work on following the morning directions carefully and gathering all their materials so they don’t need to get out of their desks after the instruction has already begun. This is quite distracting.

Year Book Photos Needed: Urgent! Mrs. Holtgrewe has very few pictures for 7th grade. Please email pictures of any school events to Mrs. Holtgrewe at ericah@mountcarmelschool.net.

P.E. Uniforms Reminder: On P.E. days the students need to change into their regular school uniform after P.E. If a student doesn’t have the regular uniform, he or she will need to sit out at recess and will receive a behavior report.

Music Elective: Ms. Tipple, our music teacher, has asked for parent volunteers to help with the musical. She needs parents to help organize the costumes. She would also like volunteers during the electives period (Mon, Tues, & Thurs from 1-2) so she can work with small groups on individual scenes while other groups work on running their lines and rehearsing their scenes. This is a great way to earn parent hours. Please let us know if you are available to help.

Field Trip Forms: In the folder today you will find two field trips forms for Catholic Schools Week. Please return both forms in the folder on Monday. We need drivers for the Service Day with the Alpha Resource Center on Wednesday, February 1.

Move-A-Thon Information:

Our class color is **green**. (Go Irish!)

Permission Slip Due: Wednesday, January 18th

Pledge Sheet Due: Wednesday, January 25

Move-A-Thon: Friday, February 3

Pancake Breakfast: Join us for the Pancake Breakfast Sunday January 29. See the Wednesday baggie for the flyer.

STAR Testing: Star Testing will be the mornings of Monday January 23 and Tuesday January 24. Please plan accordingly and do not schedule a dentist or doctor appointments during this time. Also make sure the students get enough sleep and have a good breakfast so they are at their best.

Citizenship Award: We congratulate Natali Flint who earned the citizenship award this week. She is a dedicated student who always has a positive can do attitude.

Book Club! - January

Book Club will resume in January. It is scheduled for Monday, January 30 from 7pm-8pm. We will be discussing *Goodbye Stranger* by Rebecca Stead at the Probers' home. See attached flyer.

Weekend Homework & Up Coming Tests & Projects:

- Reader's Notebook - The first Reader's Notebook Response will be due **every Thursday**.
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MONDAY – No School – Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

TUESDAY – P.E.

WEDNESDAY –

THURSDAY –

FRIDAY – P.E.

Have a great weekend!

Miss Lee