

7TH GRADE NEWS & INFORMATION

10/3/16 – 10/7/16

CLASS UPDATES

SUCSESSES: The students made very creative posters to explain the Blessed Trinity, and on Thursday we went into the first grade to teach our little buddies about the Trinity using their posters. They did a wonderful job of sharing with the younger children.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH:

Some students this week didn't print their persuasive advertisements at home for the day that they were due. As stated at Back-To-School night all final drafts must be printed at home. "I forgot" is not an excuse. We realize that technical problems arise. If that occurs, the student must bring in a note from the parent requesting that the assignment be printed. With out a parent note the assignment is late, which means it receives half-credit.

Tardy Policy: Please remember that once morning assembly has started, any student arriving after that is tardy. They need to go to the office and get a tardy slip. At 10 or more tardies in a given trimester, the student must sit out for recess each time he or she is tardy.

Blessing of the Animals: Blessing of the Animals is on October 7th. You may bring a pet or a picture of pet to be blessed by Father Lawrence.

P.E.: Due to our field trip on Tuesday there will be a make-up P.E. class on Wednesday at the usual time. Wear your P.E. uniform Wednesday.

Parent-Teacher-Student Conferences: The office sent out a link to sign up for parent teacher conferences on Monday October 17th. **In seventh grade the students are required to attend the conference with his or her parents. So please sign up for a time that your child may attend with you.**

Community Service: The pre-approval due date for the first trimester is **October 3rd**. The form must be printed from the forms and policy page on our class website. Each student needs a total of 5 hours each trimester. Any student failing to complete community service can receive no greater than a C in effort for the trimester and therefore will not be eligible for academic honors that trimester. Students can get their service pre-approved any time between now and October 3rd.

Villanova Retreat Field Trip: Our field trip to Villanova is Tuesday October 4. Students need to wear their uniforms. Lunch will be provided.

Book Club!

We had a great first book club of the year. Our next book club will be on Monday October 24th at the Petersen's home. The book we will be discussing is *Between Shades of Gray* by Ruta Sepetys. This is powerful work of historical fiction set during World War II set in Lithuania during Stalin's reign of terror. To quote goodreads, "*Between Shades of Gray* is a novel that will steal your breath and capture your heart."

At the recent **book club** we announced a different title by the same author, but it was determined it might be too mature for the sixth grade. We want book club to be open to all middle school students so that is why we made this change. We are sorry for the inconvenience, as I know several seventh graders have started that other book.

Weekend Homework & Up Coming Tests & Projects:

- Reader's Notebook - The first Reader's Notebook Response will be due on **Thursday** and **every Thursday** after that.
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MONDAY –

TUESDAY – P.E.,

WEDNESDAY – 12:20 dismissal – curriculum planning meeting for the teachers

THURSDAY –

FRIDAY – P.E.

Have a great weekend!

Miss Lee