

7TH GRADE NEWS & INFORMATION

5/21/18 – 5/25/18

Key Weekly Objectives



Here we will highlight key objectives that we are targeting in seventh grade during the week.

Religion: To understand the importance of Pentecost and the role of the Holy Spirit in the lives of believers and the church.

ELA Grammar: To identify clauses and distinguish between clauses and phrases.

ELA Literature: Overall objective for Literature Circles: To analyze literature and engage students in meaningful discussions about literature citing textual evidence.

Science: To explain how a lever works; to describe how levers function in the body

Social Studies: To discuss the reign of Prince Shotoku of Japan and the characteristics of Japanese society and family life during his reign.

CLASS UPDATES

SUCSESSES: I love how this class is game for anything and jumps into activities with a positive attitude. Today we had some extra time; so they got into teams and made songs, raps, or poems for Pentecost. They were all so fun and creative. Grayson and Riley made a whole song to the tune of “This Little Light of Mine”, and the whole class sang. Check the school Facebook page for the video.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH: We need to watch our speech. During Family Life we talked about joking and not insulting others or making sarcastic comments at another’s expense. I told them I have banned the phrase, “You’re not funny.” It’s just rude.

Community Service: The pre-approval date for the third trimester community service was May 1st, and the hours and the write-up are due June 1st.

LITERATURE CIRCLES: Literature circles do **NOT** take the place of independent reading. Students still need to be reading an independent reading book during SSR, and each week’s reader’s notebook is based on the independent reading not the literature circle book.

Friendship Lunch: We will be having another Friendship Lunch next Thursday May 24th. So you don’t need to bring lunch or order a hot lunch. Please contact Mrs. Brand if you would like to help.

SLE Award: The SLE award this month went to Max Schwarz for being a good steward by generously giving his time to serve with Corozon and build a home for a needy family in Mexico.

Luau: We hope to see you at the Luau at Padaro Beach Grill on Sunday from 11:00-3:00. When you place your order at the counter, let them know you are with OLMCS. A portion of Mount Carmel sales will be donated back to the school! Mahalo!

The winning raffle tickets will be pulled at the Luau..

Any students looking for a community service opportunity and would like to face paint at the Luau, email Miss Kim.

Cultural Opportunity: This summer Free Shakespeare in the Park in L.A. is performing *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. This would be a great cultural experience for the students. See the following link for details:

<http://www.iscla.org/griffith-park-festival/>

Family Mass: Celebrate Pentecost by joining the first grade at the Family Mass this Sunday at 10:00.

STAR Testing: The last round of STAR Testing will be next Tuesday and Wednesday. Please make sure the students get enough sleep and have a good breakfast each morning.

Book Club!

We had a great book club meeting in April. We hope to see even more students turn out for our last book club of the year. Our May book club will be on May 21st at 7:00 PM at the home of the Nafzigers. The book is *Rebel Genius* by Michael Dante DiMartino. The characters in this Renaissance inspired fantasy world explore the power of art in this dangerous adventure. See the attached flyer for details.

School Track Meet: The school track meet will be on Friday May 25th after lunch through the end of the day. If you can help, please contact Mrs. Van Eyck. The middle school will be doing our own meet during P.E. the 22nd and the 24th. The middle school relay teams will race with the whole school on Friday. This way everyone gets to do more events. Parents are welcome to come watch/help if they'd like.

Weekend Homework & Up Coming Tests & Projects:

- Reader's Notebook - The Reader's Notebook Response is due every Thursday.
- Literature Circle Reading & job #11 – Due Monday, Job #12 due Thursday

MONDAY –

TUESDAY – P.E.

WEDNESDAY – 12:20

THURSDAY – P.E.

FRIDAY – Spirit Shirt Day

Have a great weekend!