



# The Second Grade Buzz

Weekly Newsletter

LAST NEWSLETTER OF THE SCHOOL YEAR!

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## Highlights of the Week

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### Religion:

These final weeks of school we have focused on the Mass. First, we learned about the Introductory Rites. Then, we moved on to studying the first main part of the Mass known as the Liturgy of the Word. Most recently, we've concentrated on the second main part of the Mass called the Liturgy of the Eucharistic. It's been an amazing year of growth in knowledge and faith. What a privilege to have been part of your child's faith journey.



### Math:

During the last two weeks, students have been learning about **linear measurement**. Second graders used U.S. customary (inches, feet, yards) and metric (centimeters and meters) units as they become familiar with the concept of measurement and the use of appropriate tools. Each day students have also been practicing addition and subtraction problems. Before the last day, we will also study different kinds of graphs. Please support your child's

math progress this summer by providing them with real-life application of skills presented this year – addition/subtraction, place value to 999, money, telling time, measuring length, shapes, fractions, and beginning multiplication. Help your child see that math is all around us!

### Reading:

**Two of Everything** by Lily Toy Hong was our reading selection this week. In this traditional, we explored **characters**. Thinking about what the characters say and do and how they respond to events in the story are important to understanding what we read.

**Now and Ben** by Gene Barretta will be our last reading selection in the Journey's series. This informational text about Benjamin Franklin's contributions to our country compared what it was like in Franklin's time to present day. Target vocabulary words were practiced in context. We also reviewed **common vowels teams**, read words ending in **-le**, and identified **root words**. It has been so exciting to see the progress students have made in their reading. Please continue to encourage your child to read throughout the summer months. **Raz-Kids and IXL** will be available for your use until the end of August. Also, participate in the **Holy Cross Summer Reading Program, public library programs**, and log minutes for **Scholastic Summer Reading**. Remember, readers are leaders!

### **English:**

**Adjectives** and **adverbs** were reviewed. **Possessive nouns** were also practiced.

### **Handwriting**

Have you noticed your child's name being written in

**cursive** on daily assignments? Keep practicing **both** printing and cursive writing this summer!

### **Science & Social Studies**

Students completed assessments in both content areas.

### **Art**

A special Father's Day project will be sent home next week.

### **Student of the Week**



Zia Vanderzanden was our final S.O.T.W! Everyone enjoyed her poster and the memory book about Zia's 2016 family trip to Costa Rica. We almost felt like we traveled there ourselves! It was fun getting to know Zia even better.

### **Birthdays**

We celebrated our last two birthdays this week. Valeria Hernandez-Mex and Jude Keippela brought treats for all to enjoy. Thanks so much! Special blessings on your

actual June and July birthdays.

### **Field Trip**

We are all set for our June 10<sup>th</sup> field trip to the Oregon Zoo! Many thanks to **Cheryl DeClercque, Leigh Little, Amanda Louie, Diana Nieves, Ingrid Carlson, Lourdes Salinas, Shoshawna Rainwater, Tony Vanderzanden, and Kailee Bean** for generously offering to chaperone on this trip! Your reward will be great in heaven. See you Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am in the 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classroom.

### **Field Day/Last Day**

Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> is **Field Day**, and it's also a noon dismissal. The 2<sup>nd</sup> graders voted to wear **blue shirts** on this day.

### **Good-byes and Yearbooks**

Students will be signing yearbooks this week. The books will be sent home soon. Thank you to Mrs. Louie for organizing these special memory books.

### **Report Cards**

Report cards will be **mailed home** during the week of June 17th.

Thanks for a wonderful year!!!