

November 1, 2011

Dear Parents,

Happy All Saints Day to everyone! We enjoyed a beautiful liturgy with many parishioners present this morning and some inspiring words from Father Vic about the childhood of a real life saint (Blessed Pope John XXIII).

As we enter the busy holiday months of November and December, I want to give you some information about what is going on in the 5th grade and some test dates that are coming up.

We are finishing our power points about explorers that the students have researched. They are doing a great job and need to finish them so that they are ready to present on Monday, Nov. 7. If your child needs extra computer time at school encourage them to let me know so that we can use recess time (or after school if necessary) to finish on time. We will work for at least 45 minutes in class on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday.

Our next book report will be on a Biography. Students can pick up a guide sheet with the questions in the classroom or you can print it online from the 5th grade website. Books should have at least 100 pages or more and should be about someone the student is interested in learning about. It will be due December 12.

Mrs. Nauditt asked us to remind you to send pictures of your child with their grandparent to the office. They prefer digital copies of photos if possible. These will be used in the Grandparents Day celebration the Wednesday before Thanksgiving.

Some upcoming test dates are:

Explorer Power Point – Due Monday, Nov. 7

Science Test Unit B – Biomes and Ecosystems – Monday, Nov. 7 – Review questions on Thursday, Nov. 3

Religion – Sacraments of Initiation – Thursday, Nov 10. Review questions will come home Nov. 8.

Book Report – Biography – Due Monday, Dec. 12

Don't forget to sign up for conferences on Nov. 16th, 17th, and 18th. I am looking forward to your insights about your child and sharing what I have learned about them so far. If you have not sent in your conference forms, please contact Terri Matsch in the office as soon as possible so that she can get you on the schedule.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Harrell