

Mrs. Catalano’s Newsnote

St. Paul Catholic School

Room 113

September 23, 2019

**Detroit Zoo Field Trip**

We are very excited to be going to the Detroit Zoo on Thursday, October 10th. We will meet our 8th grade buddies on Thursday this week! Notes will be coming home to the parents that have volunteered to chaperone/attend our field trip. We ask that chaperones be in our classroom by 9:15am so that we can go over a few things before boarding the bus at 9:30am. We encourage chaperones to carpool to the Zoo. We will meet back at the front gates near the train station at 1:15pm so we can board the bus to come back to school. Chaperones, please remember that your child must ride back to school with us. If you are able to take a cell phone to the Zoo please do. I will give the chaperones my cell # the morning of the field trip. This is helpful if we are trying to reach your group for any reason throughout the day. (CHAPERONES/PARENTS attending are listed at the end of this Newsnote.)

Please remind your child to dress comfortably for the weather. It may be cold and/or wet and we will be outside for the majority of the day. Please continue praying for good weather! The children also need a **NUT-FREE disposable lunch & snacks** that their buddy will carry in his/her backpack.

\*\*\***IMPORTANT\*\*\* 8th grade buddies are not allowed to buy gifts for their first graders at the Zoo.** If you are a chaperone please make sure this does not happen. In fact, don’t even visit the gift shop. All other parents please talk to your child about this. It just isn’t fair when some children receive gifts/treats and others don’t. So they should just say, “No, thank you” if their buddy wants to buy them a treat/gift. (The eighth grade teachers are talking to the 8th graders about this also.) Thanks for your help with this situation! **(The eighth graders *are* allowed to purchase their *own* lunch but may not purchase anything for their first grade buddy.)**

**Book It Program**

We will begin the Book-It program in October. The children will receive a Book Report Form three Fridays a month. They may read a book either independently or with assistance. After reading the book, the children will complete a book report form and return it by the following Friday. (One week to complete.) The first Book It Book Report will come home on September 26th and is due by October 4th. If a book is read and a report is filled out for all three weeks then your child will receive a Pizza Hut personal pan pizza certificate for that month. If your child completes the three book reports each month, October thru March, then your child will enjoy a pizza party with his/her classmates. This is part of their weekly Homework and is mandatory.

At this time, the children are free to read any book that they have not previously read (or you may read to/with them). Please encourage your child to look for an appropriate book while at Library on Wednesday.

**Homework**

Monday: Wonderful Work Worksheet

Tuesday: Short a Worksheet

Wednesday: Spelling Practice Test

**Spelling Words**

1. dad
2. sad
3. nap
4. tap
5. sack
6. back
7. it
8. over
9. too

Oral Vocabulary Words: energy, exhausted, express, movements, stretch

**LIBRARY BOOK RETURN DAY IS:**

**WEDNESDAY**

**Miscellaneous**

* **Please remember that there is NO SCHOOL on Friday, September 27th. The teachers/staff are at an in-service all day. Enjoy the Friday off!**
* Please remember that homework should be written with a pencil and returned the very next day. If there is a bonus on the page the children must attempt to do this problem. Usually it will fit on the back of the paper. Thanks! **The blue HOME folder must be in your child’s backpack each day and the behavior calendar must be in the HOME folder. Thanks!**
* The website [www.spellingcity.com](http://www.spellingcity.com) is a great site to practice the week’s spelling words thru games and puzzles.
* Please practice tying shoes with your first grader! Thanks!
* Please be sure to write your child’s name on a tag in their jacket, hoodie, sweatshirt or sweaters with a Sharpie marker. Thanks!

**A Look at this Week:**

**Religion**- Creation, practice the Sign of the Cross

**Reading**- Theme: Ready, Set, Move!

**Math**- Chapter 1 test, begin Chapter 2 on Addition Strategies and Facts to 12

**Phonics/Spelling**-short a

**Grammar**- Sentences, word order and punctuation

**Social Studies**- Season-Fall/Apples

**Science-**Human Life Stages child/adolescent

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The mission of St. Paul Catholic School is to promote the development of lifelong learners and leaders through an outstanding academic curriculum anchored in our Catholic Faith.

**Chaperones/Parents attending the Detroit Zoo Field Trip are:**

**Mrs. Dwaihy**

**Mrs. Paquin**

**Mrs. Faust**

**Mrs. Guzman**

**Mrs. Elise Hindelang**

**MRs. Juip**

**Mrs. Muzingo**

**Mrs. Wilder**

**MRs. Wortman**

**Mrs. Wujek**