Mrs. Catalano’s Newsnote

St. Paul Catholic School

Room 113

The Week of: September 9, 2019

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A Look Ahead…

The first graders and their eighth grade buddies will go on their **annual field trip to the Detroit Zoo** on **Friday, October 11, 2019**. A note and permission slip will arrive home soon**. I will need many chaperones!! Please save the date!!!**

Spelling Words

Below are the 31 words that your child needed to know by the end of Kindergarten. The first few weeks of school we will review this list. Please take time to review these words with your child. Thanks for your help!

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**This Week’s Happenings**

**Monday**- Reading Readiness Testing & Math Readiness Testing.  **Music 1:20-2:10**

**Tuesday**-Mass 8:15 All are welcome! Reading Readiness Testing & Math Readiness Testing. **Spanish 1:20-2:10**

**Wednesday**-Reading Readiness Testing & Math Readiness Testing. **Library 10:00-10:25 for the Book Fair!!! Computers 1:20-2:10**

**Thursday**-We will finish up our Reading Readiness & Math Testing. . **Library 10:25-10:50 for the Book Fair!!!**

**Friday**-End of the first full week of First Grade! All School Mass **8:15 All are welcome! Gym 1:20-2:10**

**Homework**

Homework begins on Monday, Sept. 9th! The guideline here at St. Paul is for first grade to have approximately 10 minutes of homework a night (Monday thru Thursday). **Please encourage your child to be responsible for his/her own homework.** Of course you can help and guide your child in doing the assignment, but help **them** get into the habit of getting it out of their HOME folder and returning it to the HOME folder when it is completed. Homework should be completed **and returned the very next day**.

I also encourage you to read at home, practice math flashcards, and review spelling words with your child **every** night. I appreciate your help in instilling a love of learning in all of our children!

**This Week’s Homework**

Monday: 9-9 Name Practice Worksheet

Tuesday: 9- 10 Stocking Up Worksheet

Wednesday: 9-11 Lots of Leaves Worksheet

Thursday: 9-12 Hopping Upside Down Worksheet

**Miscellaneous**

* **The office sent home a large amount of papers at the beginning of the week. (i.e.: Emergency Contact Information form….etc.…) PLEASE fill these out and return them ASAP. They must all be turned in by Monday. THANK YOU!!!**
* Please remember that all St. Paul Classrooms are “no peanuts/nuts allowed” rooms, so keep this in mind when sending in snacks or birthday treats. We have one teacher in our room with a tree nut, peanut allergy so parents please be diligent with this request. Thanks!
* **The BLUE “HOME” folder must go home and come back to school every day. The “Behavior Calendar” must remain in the folder also. Thanks!**
* After reading **First Day Jitters** by Julie Danneberg we did a survey as a class. The question was: How I feel about starting first grade: happy, sad, excited, or scared. I am pleased to report that the majority of my first graders stated that they are either happy or excited about first grade!! That makes their teacher happy and excited too!

We also enjoyed some “Jitter Juice” and a snack. Fun for all!

**A Gentle Reminder**

Our school day begins at 7:50am. First graders are busy from the moment they enter the room! Students who arrive after the tardy bell (8:00) need to stop at the office for a tardy slip. Three tardies in a marking period equals a lunchtime detention.

Be on time and be just fine! Thanks!!!

**EMAIL Notice**: I would like to be able to “go Green” and just email this Newsnote to you each week. The weekly Newsnote will also be on my website: <http://smilinginfirst.weebly.com/>

I believe I have all email addresses. If there are any that you would like me to add (Dad’s email address etc.…) please let me know. Please email asap…

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**Mission Statement**

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