

February 11, 2010  
Dear Parents,

With Catholic Schools Week behind us, it is time to focus on finishing the Research paper and Science projects. I want to remind you and your child again, that all will be due on March 12<sup>th</sup>. This date is not negotiable because we will set up the projects in the gym on that Friday, and it will be on display for the parish and others who will be visiting Open House and Science Fair on Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>. On Monday morning we will present the projects to the rest of the school. That afternoon we will begin the oral presentations. Please be available to help your child with any final details.

In math, we are continuing to work on developing understanding of equivalence of fractions. We are learning to identify the greatest common factor, least common multiple, and least common denominator. We have also begun the unit on Geometry, learning to identify lines, angles, polygons, circles, symmetry and transformation. Our first day was fun, learning to use the protractor.

In ITC we have begun our travels through China. The students have received their packets and have already toured many famous sights. It is interesting to see how the Chinese people have begun to modernize their way of life and still retain much of their ancient culture.

Our director, Pug Bujeaud, asked the students to have all lines memorized by this time. We had our first practice without scripts Tuesday. Please continue to help your child work on his/her part. **A reminder** that if you are making dental or doctor appointments, please try to make them after school or any early morning except Tuesday, Thursday or Friday, if possible. We have rehearsals during those times and we need everyone to be here. The last two weeks before the performance is an especially critical time in preparing for the play. Therefore, it is important that everyone be at school for all rehearsals. We do so appreciate your cooperation.

Mardi Gras is Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, so be sure cakes are brought in that morning. This will be the only reminder, as Monday is a holiday. The celebration begins at 1:00 P.M. On Wednesday morning we will have the Ash Wednesday Mass at 9:00 A.M. Our Lenten school project this year, is to bring in canned food items for our local food bank. Monday's during Lent will be the day that the 5<sup>th</sup> grade and their buddies are to bring in food.

If you are traveling for the holiday weekend, please have a safe journey. If you are staying at home, I do hope it will be a joy filled time with the family.

Peace in Christ,

Mrs. Albert