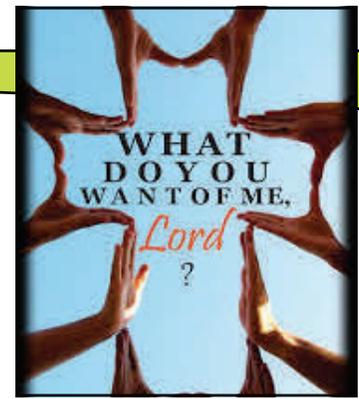


Grade 5W News!



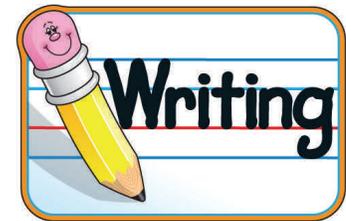
Mark Your Calendars!!

Upcoming events:

- *Friday, October 5th:*
Grade 7M School Mass
- *Friday, October 5th:*
Walkathon and 12pm Dismissal
- *Monday, October 8th:*
Thanksgiving Day—No School
- *Tuesday, October 9th:*
Grade 3-5 Confessions
- *Thursday, October 11th:*
Grade 5 Victoria Field Trip
- *Friday, October 12th:*
5D Mass
- *Friday, October 19th:*
Professional Development Day—No School
- *Friday, October 26th:*
Communicating Student Learning Interviews—No Classes
- *Wednesday, October 31st:*
1pm Costume Parade
- *Thursday, October 1st:*
All Saints Day Mass

Dear Parents,

September was a month of learning routines, establishing classroom expectations, and building a community of learners. By now students should be familiar with our weekly timetable which is found in their agendas. Please be reminded that I expect students to have their **agendas signed daily** to help keep them accountable. Students should use this as a way to help them be ready for the next day of class with all the items they need and have their assignments completed. Thank you!



Writing in Progress

The Grade 5s have begun learning the first steps of summarizing. They will first identify key words from various passages and create a "Key Word Outline". This strategy helps students put ideas into their own words. Once they fine-tune their skills in identifying key words, they will learn to add on "Dress-Ups" qualities to enhance their writing. For example, you can ask your child to explain how to add "who/which clauses" and "-ly adverbs" to his or her paragraphs to make them more interesting! Writing will continue to be an important focus throughout the year as we work towards becoming great writers! In addition, we are review the sentence framework which emphasizes proper sentence structure. Each simple sentence begins with a capital, includes a subject and complete predicate, and concludes with a punctuation mark.

Number Crunching Business



In Math, we are working on whole numbers, decimal numbers, and place values. As place value is a fundamental concept in math, we will continue to revisit these topics throughout the year. You can support your child's learning by providing them with opportunities to practice making meaningful calculations. For example, he/she can calculate the amount of change for the purchase of an item or figure out what the cost of something that's on sale for half price.