

4B Flight Update for the Week of January 25, 2019

This month's Catholic Virtue is Kindness. This month's Gospel Value is Service.



*Thank you, Father, for the blessing of our
Catholic Schools.
Help us to grow in Faith,
Hope and Love
as we are taught about You,
Your Church and our own salvation.
Amen.*

Calendar Updates and Reminders:

Jan. 28—SRS Spirit Day—Dress in Red/White

Jan. 30—Student Appreciation Day...Dress Down in Beach attire
(pool is closed so no swimsuits, no tank tops, or short shorts,
outfit should be school appropriate).

Dear 4B Families,

Happy Catholic Schools Week! As we celebrate this special week in the upcoming week, I want to thank you for your dedication and support in all we do at St. Rose, for our children. Thank you for being a part of our St. Rose family! Thank you for all the kindness you have shown me through your notes, cards, and gifts; it truly makes me feel appreciated! It's the icing on the cake; as being here each day with the children is such a gift and blessing in itself to me. As we get ready for the week, I reflect upon how blessed I am, to be able to do what I love so much, each and every day; not only teaching but learning as well. I can't say enough about our class, 15 children with unique gifts and personalities all coming together to make a happy class and family! You can't help but be happy each day, even the challenging ones!

We are looking forward to the many activities that are planned for the week; and we are excited to share the blessings, we enjoy each day, in our Catholic community, with our visitors. The children and I are looking forward to sharing some of our latest projects from our classroom, as well as show how well we work together as we work on several STEM and math challenges during the Open House on Sunday!

The children did some lovely writing about our school, this week; and will be creating slides next week to share more the many things they love about St. Rose School. It is always a joy to read what they like the most about school! Once we take the displays down from the walls and bulletin boards, I will be sending their piece home for you to share and enjoy. I have included in this week's newsletter, a brief outline of the days ahead. For more detailed information on the week, please see the Student Life Update letter that was sent home last week and is available through a link in our school newsletter and on our website. As we can't seem to have a steady weather pattern, I will keep you updated as the week goes, in case we need to make any changes along the way.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend and I hope to see you at some of our upcoming events during the week!

Kind Regards,
Mrs. B

It is a jam packed week and we want to keep the momentum of third quarter going! With the community building assemblies and other planned activities, we will have a slight mixed up schedule; but our crew is always ready to work and cooperate! The only assessments I am planning in the upcoming week is a Spelling Test, and a Science Quiz on Friday. Please note that Wednesday is a no homework day as part of student appreciation day! This might be a good evening to share an extra treat of fun family activity and mark the halfway point of our journey; and all the progress our crew has made so far this year!

This past week, despite it being short, we accomplished many great tasks, and one sad (we finished our novel, they wanted the story to keep going). The children did a wonderful job presenting their animals in our cross-curricular reading and science activity; and this week worked together to build a habitat for their animals; we also spent time writing about the features of our habitat and how it supported the life of our animal. We will present these, next week. Our station rotation is going well and the children are getting more responsibility as the weeks go by; our biggest challenge on some of the stations is time management, which is a skill we continue to improve. We had a number of quizzes to kick off new topics for the third quarter and we are showing improvement in slowing down, checking our work and reasonableness of our answers, as well as improving on our reader responses. Going forward we will be having a separate math vocabulary quiz for each new topic; we will also be adding keywords from past units as a refresher.

We will work on moving forward with our current math unit on fractions, practicing our spelling words (we will add to the new words to our current list), we will be working with fifth grade to learn more about Invention Convention, and in reading, the class will wrap up with several comprehension activities related to *Poppy*; I know they are sad our novel has ended. We will still start *Number the Stars* on February 20, when we return from Winter Break. The next few weeks ahead and to rotate with our novel reading in February and March, we will be working with other books in our Literature Circles. Each member of a group has a specific role and together they work on different comprehension skills, vocabulary, reading, and discussions.

In social studies and writing with Mrs. Damalas; we have started doing research and gathering information for our next writing piece. We will soon be putting all this information about our State all together in our essay. We are reading and learning about the manufacturing, industry and business in our book while working and doing research for our State Project. More information will follow on this project and what is required. In Grammar, we will work on verbs. Please ask your student and check on Rediker for test date.

Here is a quick reminder for the Catholic Schools Week Events:

| The most important to the kiddos: | |
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| Day: | Dress for the Day: |
| Monday—Spirit Day; Pep Rally; Pig Races | Dress down—red and white |
| Tuesday—Community Outreach Day; visits from town and diocesan leaders | Regular Uniform |
| Wednesday—Student Appreciation Day; Beach Volleyball Game at 1pm in Gathering Hall | Dress down—Beach theme |
| Thursday—Vocation Appreciation Day | Regular Uniform |
| Friday—Teacher/Parent/Family Appreciation Day | Regular Uniform |

As you can see, we don't have a minute to spare! Yet when we do, we will be thanking God for the many blessings we receive as a school community, and in our prayers we will remember you twice! Thank you again for all you do for our children and all of us at St. Rose!

Warm Regards,
Mrs. B