

April 11, 2025

Fifth Grade News

DATES TO REMEMBER:

- ★ April 14 - iLearn Testing begins
- ★ April 17 - Last Supper Reenactment 2:00 pm
- ★ April 18 - 1:00 Dismissal/No Extended Care & Live Stations of the Cross 10:00 am
- ★ April 21 - Easter Monday: No School



REMINDERS/REQUESTS:

Important iLEARN Reminders:

As we enter our testing days, please help set your child up for success by ensuring they get a **full night's rest** and eat a **healthy breakfast** each morning. We will be limiting homework during this time to allow students to recharge. Testing will begin **promptly at 8:00 AM** on non-Mass days for both 4th and 5th grade, so **arriving on time is essential**. If the student is even 5 minutes late, they will not be able to enter the room to take the test. Any student who misses a test will need to complete it before returning to the regular classroom schedule. Thank you for your support!

WE ARE LEARNING:

RELIGION: This week in Religion, the fifth graders reflected on our Circle of Grace by discussing the positive and negative ways media can influence our lives. We had some great conversations about making thoughtful, faith-filled choices in the digital world. We also began

our discussion on the Seven Sacraments, laying the foundation for a deeper understanding of how these sacred signs help us grow in grace.

MATH: This week, 5th grade will be testing in ILEARN. During the week we will be doing various math activities. No new material will be taught this week and there will be no homework.

LANGUAGE ARTS: This week students started Persuasive Writing projects, which is one of my favorites! We are working through steps for this assignment starting with brainstorming topics through final drafts and presentations. Rubrics have been shared and also posted in google classroom. I'm excited to hear some evidence-based persuasive arguments! We will be continuing to work on these through next week and will not have a vocabulary quiz due to ILearn. Reminder: IXLs over Developing Supporting Arguments are due Monday.

SOCIAL STUDIES: We have been talking about the checks and balances of the government, the writing of the Constitution, and the Bill of Rights this week. Students have been creating interactive notebooks to mix things up a bit and have also been presented with some opinion questions about our system of government. We've had some good discussions lately!

READING: **Green Group:** *The Secret Garden* We will finish reading our novel next week and the test will be given on Friday. Due to ILEARN testing, our group will meet on Wednesday and Friday only.

Purple Group: *Bridge to Terabithia* We will be reading Ch. 9-10 next week along with comprehension/vocab. work. We have had some really great discussions with our book so far—especially about our two main characters, Jess and Leslie. Their lives and how they have been raised are so different from each other and yet they have formed this special bond of friendship. Their imaginary kingdom of Terabithia is just for them.

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