

5TH GRADE NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2026

WHAT WE LEARNED THIS WEEK:

English Language Arts/Literature:

- We finished reading *Because of Winn-Dixie*! Students began drafting and creating their final posters for this book. These will be due Friday, October 2nd. We will have more class time to finish them.

Math:

- This week, we began MAP/NWEA testing. We started with the math portion. To not overwhelm students this week, we used this block of time for testing and had less instruction in this subject.
- We also discussed prime and composite numbers, as well as prime factorization.

Religion/SEL:

- In Word of Life, we discussed how worship is the work we offer in response to God for His goodness. We will be having a test for chapter 1 on Tuesday, we will study as a class on Monday.
- We began planning for the 5th grade mass next Friday October 2nd.
- We also discussed goal-setting and practiced writing goals.

Social Studies/Science:

- In science, we investigated the questions:
 - How can the sun tell you the season?
 - Why do the stars change with the seasons?
- Students had their Ch. 1 Social Studies test.

SPECIALIST NEWS:

Music:

- This week in music, we are:
- Singing in a three-part round while focusing on pitch, posture, and healthy vocal technique
 - Playing the listening and rhythm challenge Pass the Beat Around the Room
 - Practicing recorder technique and ensemble skills through note reading and echo playing

REMINDERS

With MAP testing over, homework will resume next week, please be checking your student's agendas.

Picture day is next week! Please continue reading for important information.

On October 2nd, 5th grade will be leading the school mass. Please join us at 8:15 if you would like to be a part of this.

Mass Readers: Juliette, Clark, Finley, and Lilly Fisher.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 28: Pizza Lunch

September 29: Picture Day (K-4th)

September 29: Word of Life Chapter 1 Test

September 30: Picture Day (5th-8th)

October 2: 5th Grade Mass

October 2: *Because of Winn-Dixie* Final due

October 4: Spirit Weekend

October 3: Gavin's Birthday

October 6: Town Hall @ 6:30pm

October 7: Animal Blessing @ 8:00am

October 8: Coco's Birthday

October 9: NO SCHOOL - Teacher Retreat

October 12-16: Holy Hoops

October 21: Ethan's Birthday

October 22: Weston's Birthday

October 22: Class Photos

October 28: Black and Orange Day

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PICTURE DAY UPDATE:

On Tuesday, September 29th, Kindergarten - 4th grade will have their photos taken and Preschool students

On Wednesday, September 30th, 5th grade - 8th grade and PreK students will have their photos taken.

Since this is a last-minute schedule change and notices have already gone out regarding free dress for Tuesday, we are allowing all students including 5th-8th to have free dress on Tuesday.

Wednesday for K-4th grade will be the usual "casual uniform" and 5th - 8th will be allowed free dress.

PRIVATE TUTORING OPPORTUNITY:

We are excited to share a wonderful tutoring opportunity with our ACS families! Ms. Natalie Zender, sister of our new Preschool Teacher/EDP Director, is offering affordable private tutoring for students in grades 3 and up.

Natalie is a lifelong parishioner of Sacred Heart. She graduated from the University Idaho with her Bachelors in Mechanical Engineering and Mathematics. She then went to work for the Navy as an engineer and is currently working for a private engineering firm in Burlington. Math and science are two of her favorite things, and she is excited to share that with the students! Natalie is also happy to collaborate with Assumption teachers to tailor instruction to each student's individual needs and goals. Natalie has completed all required Archdiocese qualifications to work with our students, and we are grateful to have this resource available to support our students!

 Tuesdays after school at Assumption Catholic School

 \$25 per hour

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If your child could benefit from some extra support or enrichment, please reach out to Natalie directly!

HOLY HOOPS - LAST CALL:

TODAY is the final day to sign up, No experience is needed at all. Even if a student is unsure, we'd still love for them to join so they can be part of a team and events. We'll support every player and help them feel confident, comfortable, and excited to be out there. There can be a lot of playing time to none, we just want all to join the experience.

If a student still needs to sign up, please email Mrs. Twining ASAP so we can get them added.