



Stella Maris Academy – September 18, 2020
Mr. Fugitt's Fourth Grade Class

The Friday Four

"Four things Fourth Graders need to know this Friday"

Number 1: Upcoming 4th Grade Events

Tuesday, September 22nd is picture day! Please make sure your student comes dressed in their formal "Mass" uniform. If you are unsure about the dress-code, you can always check the school website. I am not sure what the schedule will be for when the 4th graders will go in for their pictures, so please try your best to make sure they are here on time that day.

If for some reason your student will be absent that day, please let me know as soon as possible.



Thursday, September 24th is Spirit Wear Day. Show your SMA Pride!

On Friday, September 25th, the 3rd, 4th and 5th graders will be attending Mass with Fr. Pat in the sports court. Please plan on sending them to school in their Mass uniforms.

Unfortunately, at this time, we can not invite the parents to attend Mass with us. When this changes, I will let you know.

Number 2: 4th Grade Folder

Today I am sending home your child's 4th grade folder. Please look through the materials and take them out of the folder before sending it back to school with your student on Monday. Feel free to review the assignments with your child, and discuss anything that they still need to work on.

Next week we will be doing our Safe Environment lesson on Tuesday. Please go over the informational packet in the folder with your child. If you have any questions about the material, please feel free to contact me.

I am also including a 4th grade schedule for your information.

Number 3: Prepositions Memory List – Keep Practicing!

As we continue our work with prepositions, next week we will practice memorizing our preposition list (found on the first page of their grammar book). Memorizing this list will help them to make their writing more precise, and will greatly aid in their construction of complex sentences. I will be sending home a preposition list for them to practice at home.

As well as working on memorizing the words, encourage the kids to start making sentences using the prepositions as well. We will be

working on moving the preposition to the beginning of the sentence as a way to vary our sentence construction.

Number 4: Keep up with your reading

Mrs. Zack came in this week and worked with the kids for their library time. One thing that we would both like to remind all the families about is the importance of reading. I know that over the summer and with quarantine, our schedules have been crazy. However, independent reading is an invaluable skill, and one that only comes with practice.

During class time the 4th graders read a lot of content material in science, history, language arts and math, however sustained independent reading is extremely important as well. Please try to have your child read for at least twenty minutes daily outside of school time. Encourage your child to read books that interest them, as well as books that might be challenging. If you are looking for suggestions, we have many books in our classroom library, and we can always talk to Mrs. Zack about borrowing books from the SMA library.

This week's prayer: *Psalm 100*

Cry out with joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Serve the LORD with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the LORD, is God.
He made us; we belong to him.
We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with songs of praise.
Give thanks to him, and bless his name.

Indeed, how good is
the LORD,
eternal his merciful
love.
He is faithful from
age to age.

