

# Fourth Grade February Features

February 2022

## The character trait for the month of February is Kindness.

Dear Fourth Grade Students and Parents,

This month will be filled with many activities and celebrations. Catholic Schools' Week has been a wonderful showcase of our Holy Trinity community, talents and faith! We'll be celebrating the 100th Day of School and St. Valentine's Day this month and the second trimester comes to a close on February 25th. Please check the calendar reminders below for important events. Thank you for all of your enthusiasm, efforts and support as we gear up for the Lenten season and the final trimester!

Blessings,

Mrs. Connell

### Curriculum:

**Religion:** Leading up to the Lenten season, the students will study the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy, the parts of the Mass, and explore the symbols of our faith. The students will understand and recite the Works of Mercy this month.

**Math:** Students will understand and solve 2 digit dividend problems with remainders. They will determine multiples and explore properties of prime and composite numbers.

**English/Language Arts:** The focus for the remainder of the second trimester is the development of writing skills. The students will continue lessons and practice in summarizing, paraphrasing, and the use of transitions as they complete persuasive essays, research reports, and pen pal letters. The students will improve their vocabulary, handwriting skills, and study affixes with workbook practice and applications. The class will read and respond to stories from their literature anthology, *Wonders*, and begin a new class novel with discussions, journal entries, quizzes and activities.

**Academic Sharing:** Student presentations this month will relate to a topic of their choice. We are thoroughly enjoying getting to know one another *even better!*

**Science:** As we complete our physical science unit focusing on energy this month, students are continuing to explore potential and kinetic energy, velocity, mass, transfer of energy friction, drag, and *collisions!*

**Social Studies:** We will continue our study of the missions established by the Spanish throughout California with St. Mary's Press Native Peoples' modules, supplemented by our textbook and *Social*

*Studies Weekly* issues.

Students and parents are requested to check Gradelink weekly for current grades, upcoming assignments and missing work!

**Calendar reminders:**

**Tuesday: February 8th, Whole school Mass\* and 100th Day Celebration.**

**Friday: February 11th: Professional Development Day. No student attendance.**

**Monday: February 14th: St. Valentine's Day.**

**Monday: February 21st: Presidents' Day. School closed.**

**Friday: February 25th: End of the 2nd Trimester.**

**\*Mass days for February: Friday, 2/4, Tuesday, 2/8, Friday, 2/18, and Friday 2/25.**