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It has been a busy week full of special events here at St. Charles. Students have been very busy getting into the spirit of both the Lenten Season and the March is Reading Month festivities.

I have been hearing a lot of buzz about some exciting spring break trips and plans for the upcoming week. I pray you all have an amazing time making family memories together and that you all have safe travels. Many of you have already emailed me to let me know you will be leaving early and ask for assignments. If you know you will be leaving early or will be returning late from break let me know as soon as possible. I am happy to provide your student with the assignments they will miss.

As always, if there is anything I can do for you and your student to enhance their academic experience and help them reach their individual potential please let me know. It is a privilege to work with these young people.

Blessings-

-Mrs. "G"

616-885-2381 (cell) call or text – just include your name in the text

- **Lenten Prayer Partners:**

Lenten prayer partners continue to be a highlight of the day. There is something very special about getting a handwritten note letting you know someone is thinking about you and praying for you. It gives you some pep in your step and helps you get through your day.

- **Special Events:**

On Tuesday this past week we had the pleasure of witnessing one of our classmates, Claire Cusack, perform with her Irish Dance troupe during a special assembly. Experiencing the dance and music of a new culture helped to get us in the spirit for St. Patrick's Day this weekend. Thanks for sharing your amazing talent with us Claire. Your hard work shows.

Wednesday brought another assembly. This assembly was completely different. The Spoon Man came to visit our school and shared his talent of playing the spoons. That's right! The spoons...like the ones you eat cereal with. It was pretty interesting. In addition to sharing his spoon playing, The Spoon Man shared his personal tips for success: 1. Say no to drugs, 2. Do your homework, 3. Listen to your



Upcoming Events

March 18

Social Studies Test

March 20

Animal Shirt/Jeans and
Movie Day

Reminder

Make sure students have a choice reading book with them for March is Reading Month.

teachers, 4. Accept Jesus as Your Savior, and 5. Read 20 Minutes a day especially the Bible. Pretty powerful message. It was an entertaining assembly with a great message.

Friday was yet another special event for 5th-8th graders. The health and hygiene meeting for students, parents, and health care professionals. The event took place in the lower level at St. Charles. This was a great opportunity for all those invited to learn a little bit more about themselves. If any student ever **needs anything**, they are welcome to come to me. I am happy to help them.

- **Special Events Coming Up:**

Wednesday is a special March is Reading Month event. Wear an animal themed shirt and jeans. As a school we will be watching an animal movie and having a special animal themed treat. Keep reading and turning in those reading sheets. You are all doing great!!!

- **Academic Sneak Peek:**

Coming up this week: This coming week is going to be academically busy for students. We will begin multiple new chapters in many subject areas. Asking the students what is coming up and double checking planners continues to be very helpful and important.

*****After spring break, our next big Reading and ELA project will be a book report on a choice book. The book needs to be at the students reading level, a chapter book (no graphic novels), and one the student has not read previously. Each student has to be reading a different book. The first student to select a book and sign-up for it gets to read that book. I will have the sign-up sheet in class on Monday. It is a good idea for students to select this book prior to spring break and begin reading it over break. The students will have two weeks to read the book upon returning from break and one week to complete the report after that. The whole project will take three weeks total. By selecting the book prior to break and beginning the reading process over break they will gain a week of wiggle room.******

- Religion 5**- Continue Unit 5 – The Eucharist (Potentially Finish)
- English Language Arts (ELA)** – Finish Hoot and Take Test Over Book on Friday
- Science 5**- Continue Unit 5 – Physical Science
- Social Studies 5**- Test on Chapter 7.
- Reading 4/5** – Finish Book Take Test Over Book on Friday
- **Math 5**- Continue Chapter 6 – Fractions with Unlike Denominators – Potential Test on Friday
- Math 4**- Continue Chapter 7 – Adding and Subtracting Fractions.
- Spelling 4/5 – New Words (Lesson 24) go home on Monday.**

