

Mrs. Gilbertson's Class

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(The website still says grade 5. We are working on fixing it.)

Happy November!

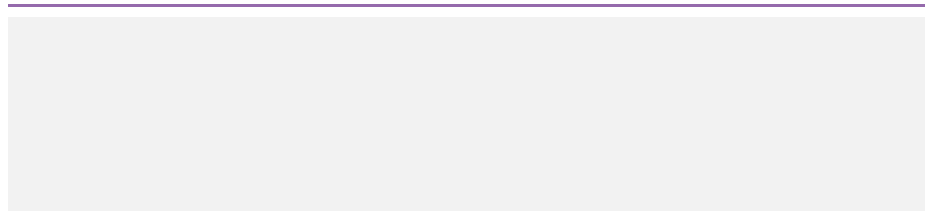
I hope you all had a safe and fun Halloween. I know our week at St. Charles was packed with special lessons and events. Halloween week was spent at the Franciscan Center team building, learning about different types of trees, taking nature walks with Mr. Chris, spending time reflecting with God's creation around us, and participating in art lessons. We had a wonderful time getting to know Sister Mary Paul and Sister Regina. I am certain we are all looking forward to going back to Farm School this winter. A special thank you goes to Mr. Peacock for providing transportation and chaperoning our students at Farm School. Thanks, Dad.

Students enjoyed some special Halloween treats provided by many families. Thank you for making the day special for the students. Your generosity is always appreciated. An additional thank you to all of you who have sent in items from my classroom with list. The supplies help so much.

It is difficult to believe that we have begun the second marking period of the academic year. Our 8th graders are one fourth of the way through their remaining time with us. How is this possible? We still have so much to do and so many memories to make. Here is to a fantastic three remaining marking periods.

God Bless!

-Mrs. Gilbertson



Upcoming Events

November 8

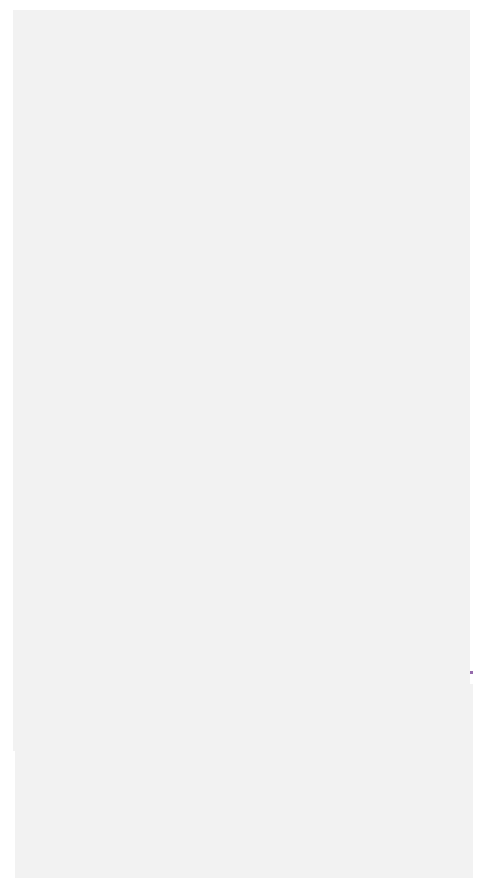
Jean Day- Canned Goods

November 15

Ice-Cream Social

November 18

Thanksgiving Luncheon



- **Great News:**

Mr. Peacock has agreed to volunteer in our 7th and 8th grade classroom 3 days a week. Mr. Peacock is a retired educator. Having this additional person in the classroom will allow for more interactive experiences for the students and small group breakout sessions. It will also allow for increased differentiation in lessons to meet the needs of students. We are certainly blessed to have the Gift of Mr. Peacock's time, talent, and treasure.

- **Sneak Peek:**

Coming up this week:

-Religion – We began Unit 2: Church History on Monday. This is an extremely long and intense unit. It will span most of the 2nd marking period. The first quiz will most likely be Friday, November 15.

-English Language Arts (ELA) 7/8– Grammar focus Lessons 35 (Active Voice Verbs) - 39 (Regular Verbs). Continue work on essay contest essays: "My Personal Michigan Hero" with Editing. We are also beginning our next novel study on "My Brother Sam is Dead" by Christopher and James Lincoln Collier. This novel study pairs with our study of the American Revolution in social studies.

-Science 8– Chapter 4: Carbon Chemistry

-Social Studies – Begin New Chapter- Chapter 4: The American Revolution (OOOOOO this is EXCITING STUFF! ☺)

-English Language Arts (ELA) 7/8– Grammar focus Lessons 48 (Problem Verbs – Lie/Lay) – 52 (More Troublesome Verbs). PRIORITY: SUBMIT HERO ESSAYS!!! We are a little behind of these due to quarantine and then Farm School. These will be submitted by the end on the day on Monday. They are due to the contest on November 12th. We wrapped up our Revolutionary War novel this week. Perfect timing, as we dive into the Battles of Lexington and Concord in our Social Studies books.

-Science 8– Continue Chapter 4: Carbon Chemistry

Earth Science 5/6 – We began Chapter: Earthquakes. Test is projected for next week Wednesday. *