

Mrs. Gilbertson's Class

7th and 8th Grade Room 8

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Spring is certainly in the air. Students are full of energy and looking forward to the end of the year. This is an exciting prospect, but we still have over a month left of school to go. There is still much left to do and accomplish. A motivational word to your child goes a long way toward keeping them focused during these last few weeks. It is tough to keep your mind on schoolwork when the sun is shining outside.

This week we finished reading *A Pitch in Tim* by Robert A. Lytle. Next Week we will begin our last novel study of the year on *Petey* by Ben Mikaelson. Based on the real-life story of cerebral palsy patient Clyde Cothorn, *Petey* illustrates for young reads an understanding of an individual's experiences who lives with a disability. Reoccurring themes include growth, understanding, wisdom, love and showing that beauty and friendship can be found in the simplest things. Ask your child about the book once we get started. I am sure they will be excited to share.

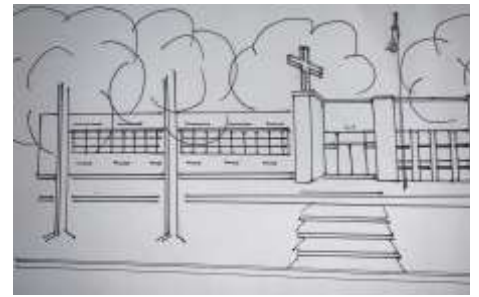
As always, I feel blessed to work with your children every day. Feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance. Have a beautiful and restful weekend.

Blessings-

-Mrs. "G"

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

- **7th - 8th Grade Mountain Bike Raffle to Support the 8th Grade Trip:**
The mountain bike raffle is off to a great start. There are two more weeks to get your tickets Raffle tickets will be sold for \$1.00 in each St. Charles classroom on a schedule determined by each individual teacher until the end of the day on May 13th. The winning ticket will be drawn and announced during morning prayer on May 16th.
- **MAPS Testing:**
All the 7th and 8th grade students were able to finish the reading portion of the MAPS test this week. Next week we will move on to the math portion of the test. Again, encourage your child to do their best.
- **Academic Sneak Peek:**
-**Theology 8-** Continue Unit 3: Morality -Finish Lesson 8: Jesus Teaches Us to Love (Quiz over Lessons 7 & 8) Tuesday.
-Complete Lessons 9: Jesus Gives Us the Beatitudes
-Complete Lesson 10: Elements of a Good Moral Decision
Theology of the Body Mondays 4th marking period. Lesson 5: Sex, Love and Chastity



Upcoming Events

May 3

– SCI8 Test and THEO8 Quiz

May 6

– SS8 Test and SCI6 Test

Reminder

Please help students remember to meet dress code standards as we switch to spring uniforms. Thank you.

- English Language Arts (ELA)** –Social Studies/ELA novel study: A Pitch in Time (4 weeks) Final Assignment Due on Monday (5-2-22)
 - Begin last novel study of the year: *Petey* on 5-3-22
 - **Physical Science 7/8**– Finish Chapter 1: Characteristics of Waves- Test on Tuesday- 5-3-22
 - Social Studies 8**- Finish Chapter 12: A New National Identity: Projected test: Friday– 5-6-22
 - Earth Science** – Finish Chapter 4: Weather: Test Friday- 5-6-22
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