

Mrs. Wilson's Fourth Grade Newsletter

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Chasing Logan and Janessa

It often happens this time of year. I have some version of this dream from last week. Logan and Janessa are running down 35th Ave. They are clutching laptops to their chests and looking over their shoulders. I'm half a block behind, chasing and screaming. I've got pages from the vocabulary book in my hand, waving frantically and yelling, "Wait! Wait! I've got just one more thing to teach you! JUST...ONE...MORE...THING!" You get the picture. There is still much to learn in fourth grade. In the weeks ahead I will attempt a balance among essential tasks, finishing units and enjoying our time together. For this reason, our routines will likely be shifted... two writing lessons one day, double science the next. Look to this and the OLG school newsletter for important reminders. See the Oral Presentation Schedule below. I'll work to record presentations to be shared with family and friends.

Science:

Our first pupae formed in early week. We compared our mealworms/pupae with mealworms stored in the faculty room refrigerator. How does air temperature impact the life-cycle states of the mealworm? Is it temperature or light that has the impact? What other factors must be considered? Great questions from our fourth grader. On Thursday we were able to watch a beetle emerge from the pupae stage. I always have been a Beatles fan. Exciting!

Math:

We're moving to Chapter 8, Adding and Subtracting Decimals. This will be quick, with an emphasis on solving real world problems. We'll skip the end of chapter test and move on (or teach two chapters at once) to Chapter 9, Angles.

Here are archive videos to become familiar with key vocabulary and review:

<https://youtu.be/F65Ee7AjVkw>

Mostly vocabulary, review

<https://youtu.be/ujtKyL0uO7A>

More vocabulary, some new

Helpful links:

Updated Link, Google slides for Oral Presentation:

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MTI3MjM2NzIxODk0/a/MzI4ODg0MDMxMDMx/details>

Oral Presentation Project, Folder in Digital Form

<https://classroom.google.com/c/MTI3MjM2NzIxODk0/a/MzExODc4ODg1Nzky/details>

Video to explain presentation

<https://youtu.be/BK-f45ORiuQ>

Dates to Remember:

Thursday, May 27: Field Day! Free dress, dress for the weather and for field day.

Monday, May 31: Memorial Day, No School

Tuesday, June 1: 9:15, 4th attends First Grade StoryPath parade, **1:30,** Eighth grade gifts assembly via zoom / livestream

Wednesday, June 2, 9:00: Light of Leadership Mass, All School Mass, 4th attends via livestream/ zoom.

Thursday, June 3: 9:00, Student Council Speeches, **2:00,** Jump Up Day

Thursday, June 10: End of Year party, more info TBA

Friday, June 11: Last day of school, Optional Mass with two ways to attend: **In-person** (sign up and attend in person, with family supervision) or **Livestream** (from home on personal device)

Oral Presentation Schedule:

Tuesday, June 1

8:30 Liam H

8:50 Emma

12:30 Katy

12:50 Logan

1:10 Kristian

Wednesday, June 2

8:30 Susie

12:30 Lincoln

12:50 Lena

1:10 Charlie

1:30 Riley

1:50 Liam O'Toole

2:10 Reserved for make ups

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Thursday, June 3

8:30 Janessa

12:30 Evie

12:50 Kirubel

1:10 Nicole

1:30 Anthony