

Second Grade Newsletter

St. Albert The Great Catholic School

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Mission Statement

We, the community of St. Albert the Great Catholic School, in keeping with the teachings of Christ, are dedicated to integrating the Gospel values, promoting academic excellence, and preparing students to be responsible individuals with a daily commitment to living the Gospel in a diverse society.

Classroom News/Highlights:

* In honor of Johnny Appleseed's birthday on Sept. 26th, we will be making applesauce. I will need each child to bring in one apple **on Wednesday (9/19)**. Also, I am looking for one more volunteer who can help make the applesauce on Monday, September 24th from 8:45—10:15 a.m.. If you have an apple peeler/corer/slicer gadget that we can borrow, that would be great! Thanks!!

* Please also find information on a fun Pumpkin Book Report that is due in October.

* We started our morning literacy center rotations last week. The class did an awesome job with the rotations!! Thank you parent volunteers for signing up to help us during this time. Parent volunteers will start tomorrow. Your job will be to help guide our independent workers and children who are around the room in centers. The children are expected to work quietly and to stay in their seats/center. Also, I welcome any student observations made during your time in my classroom. However, I ask that these observations are kept confidential. Centers are from 9:10—10:15 but feel free to come to the classroom at 8:30. If you are volunteering in the library, our library time is on Thursdays from 12:25-12:55.

* Thursday is an early release day (12:30 p.m.) for teacher training. Please have your child bring in a snack. If your child is going to aftercare, please send in a lunch.

* Please be sure to sign the blue Monday folder paper. It is located on the back side of the folder. Also, please have your child fix any homework assignments and return them the next day. The "fixes" are highlighted in yellow. Thank you!:)

* The graded religion test is in the Monday folder. The children did an awesome job on it! I am proud of them! As a reminder, they are tested on two chapters at a time and I grade each chapter test. Please have your child make any corrections at home. If you have any questions on the test, feel free to send it back in and I can help your child.

* Please help monitor the book that your child is checking out from the library. He/she should be choosing a book at his/her lexile. If your child did not choose a book at his/her lexile, he/she may return it and get a new one. ***A parent helper is needed on Thursdays to help Mrs. Vasquez in the library. You can help her monitor the books that the children are checking out. We will not have our library class this Thursday due to our early release day. I will however send a few children down to the library to change out their books during our center time. If you are available to help in the library on the 27th, please let me know. Thanks!

Student Of The Week: Allie **Don't forget that you can change the days of the activities especially if it is a short week.

* Content Area Focus:

Math— Word problems, writing equations and creating Math Mountains

Science— The Physical Properties of Matter

Religion— Recognize that Saints help us follow Jesus, acting in good and holy ways, and practicing the prayers for 2nd grade (The Our Father, Hail Mary, and the Glory Be)

Writing— We are writing an informative piece of writing about Johnny Appleseed.

Spelling— Unit 4: Short Oo words

Specials Schedule: (Regular Week)

Monday: P.E. (P.E. Uniform)

Tuesday: Music/Computers (Regular Uniform)

Wednesday: Mass/Living Out Faith (Dress Uniform)

Thursday: Library/P.E. (P.E. Uniform)

Friday: Computers/Art (once a month) (Regular Uniform)