

# MRS. DEWALD'S WEEKLY DIGEST



St. Patrick's School – Week of October 1, 2007 – 5th Grade



## IMPORTANT WEEKLY REMINDERS:

- *Tuesday & Thursday: 3:30—4:10 Math Help*
- *Thursday: Math 1, 2, & 3—Quiz*
- *Thursday: DeWald Parent Lunch—Rescheduled!*
- *Friday: No School!*

## SNEAK PEAK AT THE FOLLOWING WEEK!

- *Wednesday: Social Studies—Ch. 2 Vocabulary Quiz*
- *Thursday/Friday: Math 1, 2, & 3 Chapter Tests*
- *Friday: Social Studies—Weekly Activity Due*

## DeWald Parent Luncheon!



The DeWald Parent Luncheon is rescheduled for Thursday, October 4. A big thank you to everyone for being so flexible. I look forward to seeing everyone! I will be taking lots of pictures and creating a slideshow!

## Hello Fall!

As of Monday, the students may no longer wear shorts to school. The fall uniform dress code is here. We will begin wearing sweaters to mass on Thursday, October 11.

## Week in Preview

### MATH

\*\*PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS MATH HELP ON TUESDAY AND THURSDAY OF THIS WEEK!

### GREEN Book (Math 1):

We are almost done with chapter 1. We will be visiting problem solving one more time and then wrapping up the chapter with addition and subtraction of whole numbers and decimals. Our test will be either Thursday, October 11 or Friday, October 12. The quiz this week will be on adding and subtracting whole numbers.

### BLUE Book (Math 2 and 3):

The students have learned a snazzy saying to remember the steps to division – disco monkeys sing the blues (divide,

multiply, subtract, bring down). We will be wrapping up our unit on multiplication and division of decimals this week with the second part of our chapter test being next week (most likely Thursday, October 11.) Our quiz this week will be on division of decimals.

### Social Studies

We will continue our study of the nifty fifty and the regions with a little side-adventure to the other part of the world thrown in. We are so fortunate to have Captain who is currently active-duty army stationed in Iraq come visit us on Thursday, October 4. His wife is our fifth grade TA. We will be brainstorming appropriate questions to ask, and he will be sharing pictures of the climate and other interesting sites. We are truly fortunate to have this wonderful experience given to us.

Mrs. K, our awesome librarian, will be coming in to the classroom to discuss with the students how to go about researching their state. Miss Boever will also be involved in this process as she helps them take notes and tie the information together. A detailed list of expectations and due dates will be given to the students and posted on the web.

There are twenty-one vocabulary words for our current chapter. The students are using them in class discussions. I have posted a vocabulary flashcard game for them to use for review. We also made flashcards in the class to help prepare for the quiz

and test. Five to ten minutes a day will really help in preparation and help ease quiz/test anxiety. There will be a vocabulary quiz for the chapter on Wednesday, October 10. We are also working on our study guide and highlighting the most important details as we go. These highlights are what I use to create my test. To earn five points extra credit on the test, they just need to take the few extra minutes to create a flashcard. Not only are they earning extra credit, they are learning the material. Research has shown that if you say it and write it, you learn it quicker and easier. The date for the test will be announced soon.