

2nd Grade News

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This Past Week Happenings:

*It's been a **WONDERFUL** week with the 2nd graders! Everyone seems to be adjusting well and things are falling into place nicely.



*Thank you very much for preparing your child for the start of 2nd grade. I know the hustle and bustle of the beginning of a new school year can be stressful. So...thank you for all you do!

*If your child is still missing school supplies, please be sure to send them to school by next week. We have gym on Thursdays and Fridays...so please be sure to have gym shirts and tennis shoes at school on that day. Also, remember to send a pair of socks in your child's gym bag in case they wear sandals to school.

*I've already started taking lots of pictures in our classroom! I post all of them on our school's Facebook page. So, if you haven't "liked" our school's page (Shepherd of the Hills Catholic School)...please do so today!

*Here are a few fun things we accomplished this first week:

- ✓ A few books we read: 1st Day Jitters, Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus!, My Teacher Sleeps in School, Our Class is a Family
- ✓ Shared our "Me Bags" and did a writing activity using the items we brought in.
- ✓ Discussed our number #1 classroom rule... RESPECT, and other classroom/school procedures. Ask your child about the "Toothpaste Squirt" activity!
- ✓ Drew a self-portrait. These are on display in the hallway. Just awesome! (see pics below)
- ✓ Watched a video about germs, made a germs book, and participated in a "germs black light" activity
- ✓ Made an "All About Me" pendant
- ✓ Lots of brain breaks including: Lava balance challenge, YMCA, and Animal Action
- ✓ Prayed a Back to School Skittles Prayer together
- ✓ Save Fred STEM activity
- ✓ Attended Mass and our Kind assembly with our new buddies

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Reminders & Updates:

*No red Friday folders today...just this newsletter, a class schedule and a parent survey I would love for you to complete by September 8 attached. Please look for your child's red folder next Friday.

*Join us for our Back to School Mass on Saturday, September 9 at 4 PM. All Shepherd students, parents, alumni, and teachers will be doing the Mass ministries. Sign up here: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1UJRzaWVDnXvnQrOrPu_Q__JeVcJY9fEyTNEGdLAMgPc/edit

All students should wear their maroon polo shirt and khakis. Stay for the delicious Steak Fry in the gym after Mass. A wonderful way to be a part of our school community!


*Have you ordered your spirit wear yet? Show your Shepherd spirit and order yours today. The deadline for orders is **September 8**. Our online store is at: <https://www.selectspiritwear.com/v5store/pc/viewCategories.asp?idCategory=1635>

*Your child will be bringing his/her WATER BOTTLE home every day! Please be sure they are washed and sent back to school the next day. Thank you!

*Your child will have their first spelling test **next Friday**. Spelling words will come home on Tuesday. I also post spelling words on our classroom website weekly. Please help your child study and review their words daily at home. We will do lots of activities during the day as well.

*September book report information will be coming home on **Tuesday**. All students will need a shoebox for this project along with a chapter book (on your child's reading level). More info to come.

Next Week's Happenings ~ September 4-9

Monday, 4 th	Tuesday, 5 th	Wednesday, 6 th	Thursday, 7 th	Friday, 8 th	Saturday, 9 th
*No School 	*Spanish *Art *Music	*8:30 AM Mass <i>All are welcome!</i> *Activity Period (Rosary) *Keyboarding	*Gym *Spanish *Library	*Technology *Spelling Test *SSR *Gym	*4 PM Back to School Mass & Steak Fry

*Have an awesome long weekend! God bless!

~Miss Colwin ☺

A few photos from our first week together attached 😊

Self-Portraits



Kind Assembly with Big Buddies



Silly Faces & Yummy Popsicles

