

Mrs. Martínez's Jungle News

Greetings Everyone,

The 6th graders and 7th graders have been visiting the Blessed Sacrament Chapel more often during this Lent Season in order to increase our prayer opportunities. The school has also started to do our weekly Stations of the Cross on Thursdays, from 9:00 to 9:45 AM- Please feel free to join us.

Our class will be in charge in performing the Living Stations of the Cross during Holy Week, on Thursday March 24th. We will begin in the hall with a Washing of the Feet Service and then move on to the Church for the Living Stations Performance. I'm always looking for new ideas, feel free to e-mail me with anything that you think will enhance our performance. Also, I would like some parents to help during our practices which take place the week of, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Let me know if you think you can come in to help.

Office Hours: Remember that I'm available for office hours on Tuesday and Thursday from 8:00 to 8:30 in the morning, and again from 3:30 to 4:00 in the afternoon.

Academic Decathlon is fast approaching on March 5th. Please pray so that we continue strong and do our best in the competition. My Decathletes have been getting assignments that will take place of some of their school assignments. If you have any questions please contact me.

Finally, do not forget to register your student(s) for a registration fee of \$125. This will only be available for a limited time, so do not miss out and register now.

Sincerely Yours,

Mrs. Martinez

Jungle STREAM Highlights

“A steady flow of knowledge”

Science: As you know we submitted 8 of our middle schoolers for the screening at the Greater San Diego Science and Engineering Fair. All 8 of our students are moving on to the Science Fair: Congratulations to John Carey (8th), Nathan Barraza (8th), Lauren Williams (7th), Sean Maloney (7th), Brett Wilkins (7th), Zarita Apple (7th), Chapel Blaze (7th), & Luke Nash (7th).

6th Grade Science: Chapter 7- Weathering and Soil

7th and 8th Grade Science: Chapter 7- Chemical Formulas

The 7th and 8th graders are done building their Chinampas, now we are waiting to see how many of them are successful in growing plants. We are already seeing sprouts!

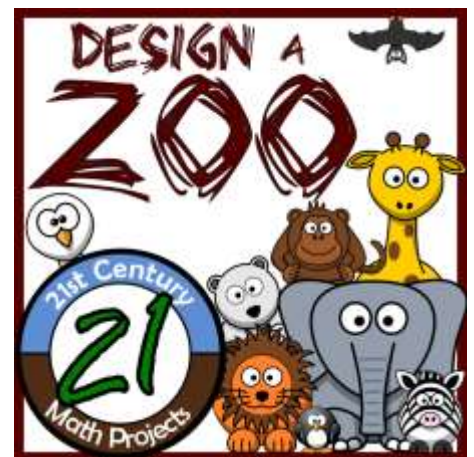
Technology: The students have started a new project, “Design a Zoo”. This project requires that they have knowledge of Area and Perimeter to give them the best enclosure for various animals. They will then have to use technology to create a blue-print of what their zoo will look like.

Religion: All grades are working on a Saint Project, the 6th and 7th graders have completed their research and the 8th graders have already written the rough draft to their 1,000 word essay.

6th and 7th: Chapter 8- Jesus, the Promised Messiah

8th: Chapter 11- The Church in Crisis and Change

Engineering: The students finished building their Chinampas last Friday, now they will start creating a 3-D model of a zoo.



Art: The students had their first Iconography lesson, and it was amazing. Our guest, Mrs. Steele did a wonderful job explaining the history behind Icons and how to do draw an icon. All of our students will start by drawing Mary with Jesus (see picture) and then they will move on to draw the Saint that they chose for their report. A special thank you to Mrs. Elmer for making this opportunity happen for our students.



Math: Whenever your child says they do not have homework, they can always be working on Khan Academy assignments. I assign them weekly, they always have something to work on for Math. Encourage them to take the mastery challenges so that they can master skills faster.

Currently Working On:

6th- Group A: Chapter 5- Integers

Group B: Chapter 6- Number Theory and Fractions

Group C: Chapter 7- Fractions: Addition and Subtraction

Group D: Chapter 8- Fractions: Multiplication, Division, and Probability

Group E: Chapter 9- Data and Statistics

7th- Group A: Chapter 5: Rational Numbers: Fractions

8th- Group A: Chapter 4- Inequalities

Group B: Chapter 5- Polynomials and Factoring