

September News from Ms. Updegraff!

HAPPY FALL!!!!

Our fourth graders have been busy settling in and becoming familiar with their new schedules, getting organized, and learning what is expected of them in fourth grade. We welcome Mykhal Flores, Ti'Ja Franklin, Earl Hubanks, Jonavin Langoehr-Watson, Tazianna Morgan, Brooklynn Scruggs, and K'amrion Williams. We are happy to have you all!!!

We will be completing placement testing for Accelerated Reader very soon. The students will take *Star Tests* to determine the most appropriate reading books for individual levels. We will be visiting the library on Mondays to check out books. It is very important to meet AR goals in fourth grade. AR is 20% of your child's literature report card grade.



We will attend Mass on Thursdays. Every Thursday a different class takes responsibility for the readings and prayers during Mass. Mass begins at 8:45 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend Mass. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to sit with our class if you are ever able to join us. Adults of our students are always welcome to be a part of what we do at MGC!

Fourth graders are beginning a unit on Map Skills of Wisconsin. This will be part of our Wisconsin History Class. Students are also working on a book containing our Wisconsin state symbols. We are also working with an Ojibwe environmental activity booklet. We will learn about other cultures and taking responsibility for respecting our earth.

Please be sure to check KidMail every Wednesday for important school information. Please sign your child's agenda notebook and return it to school daily. Students must have the agenda book signed by a parent/guardian; handwritten separate notes are not acceptable.

Remember we have a fourth grade Parent Night on Tuesday, September 4 at 6:00 p.m. I am looking forward to meeting all my students' families and sharing more with you at that time. (Be sure to get in by our playground doors before they are locked!!!)

I want to thank-you for a smooth start to the school year. Your children are an energetic, eager group of students!

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