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# St. Mark's Messenger

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## Calendar

### November

19 – \$1 Dress Down Day!

Student Council – 4:15pm

22-26 – **No School: Thanksgiving Break!**

28 – Worship 8:00, 10:30, & 6:00pm

30 – Stacking Club – 4:15pm

First Science Club – 4:15pm

### December

1 – Chapel: Pastor Fenker

2 – Stacking Club 3:15 – 4:15pm

Science Olympiad – 4:15pm

Student Council – 4:15pm



This holiday season, the St. Mark's FAMILY group is partnering with **5Below in Eastgate** to bring you an entire week of shopping while helping to raise funds for our school!

Attached (to this email) is a VIP (very important paper!). Anytime during the week of **12/3-12/10**, bring this flyer with you to the 5 Below location at **700 Eastgate S Dr, Cincinnati**, do some shopping - and hand this to your cashier at checkout.

It's as simple as that and our group receives a portion of each sale to help us fund future events at the school!

Please remember to bring this flyer with you when you shop. If you shop multiple times within that week there will be more flyers available in the school office as well as at the register at 5Below.

Thank you so much for your support of our FAMILY group and school! We look forward to bringing you more opportunities throughout the year to create memories with the FAMILY!



'21-'22 Theme:

## Not of This World!

Romans 12:2

Everyone is invited to the St. Mark's 2021

## Christmas Cookies & Crafts

Join us on Friday, December 10<sup>th</sup> from 6-8pm in the Fellowship Hall for Christmas Fun - craft stations, a cookie decorating station, a photospot to capture fun memories, as well as a hot chocolate bar with all the fixins' - and popcorn! Come dressed in your most festive attire and bring your singing voice to belt out your favorite Christmas Carols!

We are asking for \$2/child participating or \$5 for families with 3 or more children. You may choose to prepay or pay at the door.

Beginning on 11/29 there will be 3 Christmas themed guessing jars in the lunchroom. The student(s) who guess the correct amount - or come the closest to it - will have a chance to win a gift card to 5Below!

## Annual Christmas Cookie Walk

This year we will be including the annual Cookie Walk with the Christmas Cookies & Crafts event. We invite all church members and their families/friends and school families to participate in both of these Christmas events. If you would like to bring cookies please sign up on the board outside the office, email Megan Coscia at [Family@Stmarksmilford.org](mailto:Family@Stmarksmilford.org) or sign up online. More information will be sent after Thanksgiving, including a link to sign up online to help at a station as well as bringing cookies to the cookie walk.

## Reminder

**Check your email junk/spam folders** for emails from [admissions@stmarksmilford.org](mailto:admissions@stmarksmilford.org). Rachel Bailey, Admissions Coordinator, has been sending out emails regarding upcoming events, and some have been going into spam folders.

## Please Take a Survey!

I have a good number of responses – but it would be great to have 100% participation. This is one way that you can provide valuable feedback to us as an organization.

As part of our accreditation process, we are asking all parents and students to take a quick survey. The students will complete their surveys at school. The answers that are provided will help us operate in the present, and help shape the future of St. Mark's Lutheran School.

Here is the link (or cut and paste) to the parent survey: <https://forms.gle/X5RKbqjuRaGVF3xX8>

## Can You Read?

St. Mark's school is looking for some folks who can read with students (help them read). This can be for as little as an hour a week or a couple hours each day. If you would be willing to do this helpful work, please send your contact information and availability to Mr. Kollmorgen's email: [principal@stmarksmilford.org](mailto:principal@stmarksmilford.org)

# Classroom Happenings

## Mrs. Newell (2 Year Old and 3 Year Old Preschool)

This week the 3 year old class learned about the letter T. We made name turkeys, painted with feathers and made trees with our handprints. During Bible we learned about the story of Naomi and Ruth.

## Mrs. Rehmer (4 Year Old Preschool)

The focus in our Bible stories this week was the 10 commandments and why God gave us these rules. (Exodus 19-20,32, 34) We used our writing skills to make a Thanksgiving book and tell some of the things we are thankful for. Our letter this week was T. Our highlight this week was our harvest party. We had fun making our snack, pretending to be turkeys and playing pin the feather on the turkey.

## Mrs. Sherman (Kindergarten)

At Bible time, we heard about Joshua and the battle of Jericho. We learned that when challenges come our way, God is still with us. In reading, we named adjectives for numbers, identified synonyms and blended phonemes. During math, we continued to subtract within 5. We solved turkey number stories, counted the room and played spin and count. We enjoyed creating a story retelling map for Turkey Surprise. We, also, solved all of the challenges to find our way out of the forest in a fall escape room.

## Mrs. Boerboom (1<sup>st</sup> Grade)

This week in first grade, we wrote 4-step directions on how to cook a turkey. There is some debate on when the “stuffing” should happen. In math, we worked on strategies for adding 3 addends together. In social studies, we learned about the Pilgrims and the Wampanoag people. In science, we made observations on our decomposing pumpkin experiment. We prayed and thanked God for all He has given us in Bible Study. We enjoyed our Thanksgiving Feast and are looking forward to Thanksgiving break!

## Mrs. Reynolds (2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)

This week 2nd grade discussed all things Thanksgiving. We talked about what our families do for thanksgiving and wrote about our favorite traditions and foods. We read a variety of Thanksgiving books that told us about the first Thanksgiving. We also read Junie B. Jones Turkeys we Have Loved and Eaten. We made our own thankful lists. We also finished our unit le 5 in Math and took our test on place value and expanded forms. We finished our Bible unit and reviewed all the Good Times and Bad Times stories. We are ready for a week at home with our families.

### **Mrs. Dowd (3<sup>rd</sup> Grade)**

In Religion, we learned about how God gives us His gifts everyday. In Reading, we are continuing to read “The Tiger Rising” and foreshadowing the storyline. In Math, we jumped ahead to Module 13A and worked with fractions and we will review the multiplication facts for 7s, 8s, and 9s. In Science, we wrapped up our planets unit. In Social Studies, we learned about measurement and data. We completed our Thankfulness Turkey Folder in Writing class.

### **Miss Rhonemus (4<sup>th</sup> Grade)**

This week fourth graders read informational texts about movies and special effects while focusing on the special text features involved such as photos and captions. In religion fourth and fifth graders learned more about the plagues and Passover. In math, students are working on partial products multiplication and transitioning to the traditional multiplication algorithm. We also talked about collecting data and began brainstorming science fair ideas.

### **Mr. Postenrieder, Mrs. Kiehl, and Mr. Kollmorgen (5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grades)**

In our Bible time, we continued to study the book of Ecclesiastes.

In 5<sup>th</sup> math we continued with order of operations and numerical expressions. We completed our 4<sup>th</sup> test after another review. We then moved to area and volume. In Saxon Level 1 math we completed our 6<sup>th</sup> test. We then worked with fractions, mixed numbers, and decimal operations. Saxon Level 3 math is computing surface area, while Algebra 1 is working on applying the Distributive Property to expressions with multiple variable in the numerator and denominator.

In Social Studies we continued with the original 13 colonies. We also did a report on a famous person with an influence on Early America. 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Social Studies continued learning about the Byzantine Empire.

5th/6th grade ELA students began reading their second novel, I am Malala. In writing, they began working with expository essays and the specific genre of problem/ solution writing. 7th/8th grade students continued studying problem/solution essays. In reading, they began their second text, A Traveler's Guide to Medieval Times.

In Science, 5<sup>th</sup>/6th graders focused on technology and the design process while 7<sup>th</sup>/8th graders studied how we describe and make changes to matter

In 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade PE, we continued our bowling unit.

## Assess Symptoms Daily!

**If your child doesn't feel well, please keep him/her home!**

One of the main ways to limit the spread of the virus is to check for symptoms daily – of course we take temperatures at the door each morning, but you can help by making sure that your son or daughter does not have any of the following symptoms:

Fever or chills

Cough

Diarrhea

Nausea or vomiting

Fatigue

Sore throat

Headache

Loss of taste or smell

Congestion or runny nose

Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing

Repeated shaking with chills

Muscle or body aches