



December 2, 2019

# 3B NEWSLETTER

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Dear 3B Families,

I really enjoyed meeting with you all last week for conferences, I am so proud of the work your kids are doing! I hope you had a great Thanksgiving break. We have three weeks until Christmas break and the third grade will be busy, busy, busy!

## Reminders

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### **Story Wheel Book Report:**

The book report is due this **Thursday, December 5**. I can't wait to see the finished products!

### **Uganda Donations:**

December Uganda donations are due by this **Friday, December 6**.

### **Winter Gear Photos:**

On Friday, I will be taking photos of students in winter accessories for a snow globe writing project. Students can bring in items to wear such as a winter coat, gloves, scarf, and/or a hat for their photo.

### **Christmas Poems:**

Students will be sharing their memorized poem with the class on **Friday, December 13**. They will be assessed on expression, voice, eye contact, and hand motions. I can't wait to hear the poems!

### **Advent Outreach:**

The third grade will support the St. Vincent de Paul ministry in their Advent food drive. We will continue collecting money for our Safeway field trip on December 17, and we will use this money to purchase specific food items for the food drive planned by St. Vincent de Paul. Please send in all Safeway money donations by **Monday, December 16**.

**Field Trip Chaperone:** I am still in need of one more chaperone for our field trip. Please let me know if you are able to join us. Thank you!

**Safeway Field Trip:** If your child has not turned in the permission slip yet, please do so by tomorrow. Chaperones, we will leave for Safeway at **8:45 am** on Tuesday, December 17. We will be collecting donations for Safeway until Monday, December 16.

**Prayer Partner in Faith Family:**

We will meet in our Faith Families on Friday and pick our Advent prayer partners. Please remind your child that their homemade card and prayer for their faith-family prayer partner are due to me by Friday, December 13th. **If you child does not know who their prayer partner is, please tell them to see their Faith Family teacher!**

The card should reflect time well spent and should include:

TO: ***(Your prayer partner's name)***  
FROM: ***(Your name)***  
***A prayer that you have written***  
***Artwork that you have drawn***  
***Anything else you'd like to include.***

**Costumes:**

Today we talked with your children about costume ideas for their character in the Nativity play. We will continue to talk this week as well. Costumes are not something that you need to go and buy but rather they should be able to use everyday items.

*Useful items could include:* Pillowcases, sheets, bathrobes, scarves, belts, rope etc.  
Please let me know if you have any questions about the costumes.

**Students need to bring their costumes in Monday, December 16th.** Please do not send them earlier because we don't have the space to hold them. **Your child's costume should be in a bag labeled with their name on it.**

**You're Invited:**

We will present our Advent Nativity play on **Wednesday, December 18.** Our performance will be at **11:00 am.** All parents, grandparents and siblings under 5 are invited. I'll give more information regarding costumes and props soon. Sorry, siblings at Holy Rosary will not be able to attend due to limited space.

**Christmas Program:**

The Christmas program is **Thursday, December 19,** at **6:15pm** in the church.

**Auction News:** Family auction procurement due December 13th. More details or to complete the donation form: [holyrosaryws.org/giving/auction](http://holyrosaryws.org/giving/auction)

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# Curriculum

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**Math:** This week we will continue Chapter 5: Understanding Division. Students will look at division as repeated subtraction, relate division to multiplication, and learn about inverse operations.

**Reading:** We will read chapter 11 and 12 of *The Boxcar Children* this week.

**Science:** Students will continue the crabitat unit this week. They will observe the hermit crabs in their revised crabitats and have an opportunity to make changes to their design.

**Social Studies:** Students research the culture of a country of their choice.

**Nativity Play:** This week students will continue learning about public speaking and performing with the acronym PVLEGS (Poise, Voice, Life, Eye Contact, Gestures, Speed) . This week we will learn about presenting with **P**oise and **L**ife and **E**ye Contact.

**Religion:** 3rd graders will go over the Liturgical Year. They will learn that Advent is the beginning of our Liturgical Year. They are also preparing for our Nativity Play.

**Spelling:** The spelling homework is due Thursday and the test will be on Friday. This week we work with homophones.

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one	hour	our	their	there	fur	fir

Challenge Words: piece, peace

**Next Week's Star:** Ella

Have a great week!

Sincerely,

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