



*Mrs. Cameron's Class News
For Grade 4
Week of December 12 - 16, 2011
Maranatha! Come Lord, Jesus!*



Schedule for December

- 12 Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Manañitas @ 5:00 a.m. (Parish celebration)
- 15 Last day for *Project Love*. Please remember the less-fortunate with a donation of soup, pasta, juice, baby food, rice, or any non-perishable items.
- 16 Wear a Christmas Shirt Day! (**minimum day**) NO DAY CARE TODAY!
- 16 Advent/Christmas Program (6:00 p.m.)
Students need to be in the classroom at 5:15 p.m.
- 18 4th Sunday of Advent
- 19 Christmas Vacation begins
- 25 Merry Christmas!

Schedule for January

- 1 Happy New Year!!
- 2 No School
- 3 School resumes! Welcome Back
- 6 Minimum Day – Dismissal at Noon

Reading and Book Report Assignments

Reading Assignments

During the December break, please continue reading and researching facts for your California Mission Report. Be sure to record the URL, date of access, title of page and author of each web site you visit. Be sure to write down the front matter of all books, you use before returning them to the library!

During January, you will start compiling your facts during your library and computer periods. Please use your time wisely at school so you will have less work to do at home!



Due Dates:

Written Report is due Monday, January 23
Mission Model is due Friday, January 27

“Costumes” for our Advent/Christmas Presentation

Students should plan to wear Christmas/winter theme clothing in seasonal colors: Reds/greens/sweaters/knit caps/etc. Please try to wear a Santa hat! Report to the classroom at 5:15 p.m. on Friday, December 16. Following the program, students may be picked up at the classroom by a parent.



PTG Corner

There's plenty of time to gather your old electronic items for the January 21-22 E-Recycle event. Mark your calendar for the next dining-out fundraiser at Island's on January 25, and don't forget that your purchase of Scrip helps our school on any date of the year!

What's Happening this Week?

Because of so many extra activities happening this week, our schedule is going to be flexible and abbreviated in order to accommodate all the seasonal additions to our week: our daily rehearsals, stewardship, making Christmas cards, etc. Additionally, we are going to try to squeeze in my annual treat of watching The Polar Express to help us all remember the beauty of the Christmas season...and believing!

Religion: We'll learn the beautiful story of the apparition of Our Lady of Guadalupe; we'll concentrate on “service” as we decorate placemats for the parish's Christmas meals for the less-fortunate and make tray favors for the seniors in retirement homes; we'll attend an Advent prayer service and end our week with Father Bud's visit to our class on Friday, Dec. 16. We will continue oral testing of The Eight Beatitudes. (Some students have asked for an extension.)

Spelling: Unit 14 – Words with more letters than sounds such as “enough” and “breakfast”. Unit Test and Dictation Skills: 12/16

Vocabulary: Antonyms such as “collect/disperse” Test: 12/16

Math: Patterns of multiplication continue; estimating products; check progress; multiplication mastery tests as needed during the week – students will have an opportunity to complete their tests by Friday. It's crunch time! Math will be very challenging following Christmas break. Errors are being made because of mistakes with multiplication facts. Multiplication quiz: 12/15

Reading: Seasonal selections to enrich oral reading and critical comprehension skills. As time permits, we will focus on students' choice projects including Christmas Is...” writing and art activities. (bulletin board displays)

