

IT'S A GREAT DAY
TO BE A CARDINAL!

SPECIAL
POINTS OF
INTEREST:

- Monday, May 10 Progress Reports Go Home
- Monday, May 10, 5th grade students attend 8:00 am Mass
- Monday, May 17, Butterfly and Moth reports due.
- May 19 Spring Band Concert
- Monday, May 24, Take Home write-ups due.

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Something Special's Up!

Wow! It's May. How did that sneak up on us? We would like to thank Dr. Flach for coming into the 5th grade class to speak to the boys. Healthworld presented to the boys and girls separately, and we conducted a follow-up in our classrooms; Mrs. Kensek and Mrs. Clancy with the girls,

and Dr. Flach with the boys.

May 4, the students of Room 116 competed against the 5th graders at St. Francis in the Battle of the Books! It was a great battle and we received 2nd place. Congratulations Cailey, Sean, Thomas, Lauren E., and Neomi!

On Monday, May 10, the 5th graders will be attending 8:00 am Mass. We will meet in the vestibule at 7:50. Please come directly to church with all of their belongings.

The students have been busy practicing their farewell songs to Mrs. Hillgoth.

Social Studies

In social studies, we are studying Colonial America. Room 116 students created notes for the chapter on the smart-board and presented to the class. Room 117 stu-

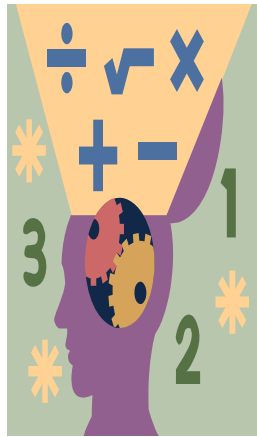
dents are working on an ABC book. The students will have an open-note test on Chapter 6 on Wednesday, May 12.

We will be working on the causes leading

to the Revolutionary War and then end the year studying the war itself. Students will be working on activities and projects focusing on these themes.

Check out math and science

Have you been seeing science experiments coming home? Your child is required to complete four at home experiments this quarter. The due date is May 24. We are also involved in studying and comparing moths and butterflies. We are watching and waiting for our caterpillars to become butterflies.



Our beautiful Luna moth to appeared from its cocoon May 4th and was set free.

We are researching and

writing a report about one butterfly and one moth. It is due May 17. Guidelines are on the front of our butterfly packet. After that we will be studying matter.

We are working on decimals in math, learning how to multiply and divide them. Next, we will be working with fractions. Listen for your child talking about LCM's, GCF's, "shmooves" and T charts.

We continue to review using our starters, stumpers and independent task cards.

In 2nd Step, our focus is problem solving and anger management

Language Arts news

In reading, we are completing different novels of choice. They are completing an independent study of the novel and have to plan their time accordingly to finish on the due date. All written work and projects are to be completed in class, but they

should be reading every evening for 20 minutes. They still have a Write Night every Thursday; however, they are now completing different assignments. Our April poems were our first attempts at poetry using two different voices. The stu-

dents wrote from their heart on a passionate subject, and created a venn diagram, showing two different sides to a topic, or two voices.

In spelling, we continue to work with contractions.

In other news...

It's that time again! Progress Reports will be sent home Monday, May 10. Please sign one copy and return back to school.

Last, but not least, please remember the 5th grade service project is

collecting cans and donating the proceeds to our St. Vincent de Paul Society. We have been collecting cans throughout the school; however, we can also use cans the students bring from home.

Next time you go to put them in YOUR recycling bin, stop, and put them in a bag for your child to bring to school. So far this year we donated almost \$35.00 to our St. Vincent de Paul Society.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation, Mrs. Clancy and Mrs. Kensek