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Dear Families,

Math Week is finally here! There are so many fun activities planned throughout the week.

## Monday – “Math About Me”

The students will make posters about themselves using numbers and math equations. Posters will be displayed in the hallway.

### “It’s Game Time with Friends”

All students will play math related games with classmates in designated classrooms.

## Tuesday – “Steam Across the Hall”

During the afternoon, Grades 4 through 8 will compete to build the tallest and strongest structure out of newspapers and tape in the Church Hall. Pre-K through Grade 3 will be cheering on their favorite team. We can’t wait to see who wins!

## Wednesday – “Stories and Movies in Math”

Each class will be reading books throughout the day about math. Kindergarten will be reading several concept books about numbers, counting forward and back.

## Thursday – “PI” Day

### “Math Adventures”

A performance by Dennis Regling called “Math Adventures” will be presented in the morning.

### “Pie Eating” for PI Day

Kindergarten students will enjoy eating pie with their church buddies.

**There is no school on Friday.** The teachers will be attending a Professional Day.

This week in reading, the big book, *Curious George’s Dinosaur Discovery*, is a fantasy text. The children will read about what happens when Curious George tries to help several scientists find dinosaur bones. They will also explore the question, “Why is it important to know when things happen in a story?”

We will also read, *Duck and Goose*. This book, another fantasy, tells about two characters, Duck and Goose, and their discovery of what they think is an egg. They can’t find the egg’s owner and agree they need to care for the egg. They sit on the egg for a long time, waiting for it to hatch. Does anything hatch out of this very strange egg?

The word wall words **is, how, find, this, will, be, go,** and **for** will be reviewed this week. There will be a **spelling**

**test on Wednesday morning.** The letters **li, Gg, Dd,** and **Rr** will also be reviewed.

We will be discussing how to choose a topic about a true event they have experienced. The children will learn to write a story about something they have done; for example, a family trip, a birthday party, a visit to the zoo, etc. The children will first write several ideas about their experience, then write a first draft, and finally, write a final copy throughout the week.

The Decodable Readers are *The Big Dig* and *We Fit*. The children have been reading both stories to their classmates during rotations for extra practice.

In math, we will be reinforcing place value with the numbers 19 and 20. Examples of this are: 19 is 1 bundle of ten and 9 ones and 20 is 2 bundles of ten and 0 ones.

There is an **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dress-Down Day on Tuesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>,** so please send in the coupon or \$3.00 if your child is dressing down.

**Kindergarten was the winner of the Box Tops for Education collection last month. On Thursday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, we have a free dress-down day** as a reward for all our hard work. Great job to all!

Our containers are filling up with beads! Please continue to send in your **good deed coupons**. The class is doing a great job helping others throughout this season of Lent. Remember, no act of kindness is too little to reward. We are planning to make our good deed necklaces on Thursday afternoon, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Each coupon is worth a bead for their “good deed necklace.”

**Operation Rice Bowl** is underway! During the season of Lent, please donate your loose change to those in need. Place the change in the Rice Bowls you received and return it to school on Holy Thursday. Thank you so much for helping!

**Lifetouch pictures** will be at school on Monday morning, March 11<sup>th</sup>. The children **do not** wear their uniforms for these spring pictures. Please send in your completed order form on picture day if you wish to choose your background.

Mrs. Ferreira sent home the **Scholastic Book Flyers** before vacation. If you are planning to order books, please place your order on or before Wednesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

The **Father-Daughter Dance** is this Thursday! If you are planning to attend, have a wonderful time. We know many girls in kindergarten are looking forward to this special event.

Have a great week!

Mrs. Lucier and Mrs. Ferreira