

St. Mary Junior High  
Friday Letter March 23, 2018

Upcoming Events

- March 28 Way of the Cross  
March 30 Holy Thursday- Noon dismissal- NO AFTER CARE!  
March 31 Good Friday- No School  
April 2 Easter Monday- weather make up day- Class Easter Parties  
April 9-13 Jr High Standardized tests (closed campus)  
April 22 Spaghetti Luncheon- 8<sup>th</sup> grade fundraiser  
May 11 Field Day  
May 21-24 8<sup>th</sup> grade Washington DC trip  
May 25 8<sup>th</sup> grade Graduation  
May 28 Memorial Day- No School  
May 31 New Last Day of School (noon dismissal)

Tutoring

We will resume tutoring on March 27. Pickup is at 3:45 will be on the office side of the school under the blue awning. Please contact teachers with specific issues you would like addressed from current lessons, or we will contact you if we need your child to stay. Please note that especially for math, seats are limited to struggling students.

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## Math

6th grade: Students will graph integers on the coordinate grid and will begin solving integer operations. Students will have a quiz over chapter 11 (lesson 1-4) on Tuesday, 3/27.

7th grade: Students will find the surface area of 3D figures. Students will have a test over chapter 10 on Thursday, 3/29.

8th grade: Students will begin solving multi-step equations. Students will have a test over chapter 10 on Tuesday, 3/27.

Algebra: Students will factor perfect squares. Students will have a test over chapter 8 on Wednesday, 3/28.

**\*\*7<sup>th</sup> Grade will take an Algebra Placement Test on May 10\*\***  
**\*\*(tentative date)\*\***

## Religion

The 4th and 7th grade classes have been practicing for our Way of the Cross program. We will have an evening program on Wednesday March 28th 6:30 pm and a Morning show on Thursday March 29th at 8:30 am. The 7th grade students will need to be at the school an hour prior to the performance.

4/27/2018- Service Logs are due!!!!

## Social Studies

6th: Chapter 13- Southern Europe.

7th: Chapter 8- Early Texas Settlers

8th: Chapter 15- Causes of the Civil War

## Science

6th Grade- Space: Lunar Cycle and the Sun- Test 3/28

7th Grade- Fossils and Geological Timeline- Test 3/27 Lab 3/28

8th Grade- Transference of Energy- Test 3/29

7th and 8th Grade will going to the Houston Museum of Natural Science on 4/6. We will be doing a dissection, visiting the Butterfly Exhibit, looking at fossils in the Hall of Paleontology and exploring the permanent exhibits. Please email Ms. Bryan if you are able to drive or have any questions.

## Language Arts

Students are enjoying our spring novels. Tentative schedules are posted on Mrs. Donaldson's board for novel tests in March/April. We will cover three units of vocabulary workshop and two units of grammar in the fourth nine weeks.

\*Note to 6<sup>th</sup> grade parents: be prepared for some emotion surrounding chapter 19 of Red Fern. We read it together and there are always a few tears. It is a memorable experience for us to share as a class. No spoilers, please!

## Accelerated Reader

The AR deadline for the nine weeks is May 15 for 8<sup>th</sup> grade and May 22 for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grades. Goals are generally one point higher than they were last nine weeks. Students should be reading an independent book in tandem to their class novel. Two AR products are due at the start of each week.