

### Important Dates:

February 20<sup>th</sup> - Presidents' Day/No School

February 21<sup>st</sup> - Mardi Gras

February 22<sup>nd</sup> - Ash Wednesday Mass @ 9:00 a.m.

March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Stations of the Cross I @ 2:00 p.m.

March 13<sup>th</sup> - Stations of the Cross II @ 2:00 p.m.

March 15<sup>th</sup> - Green & White Spirit Day (\$1.00)/Reading, Writing, & Listening @ 1:45 p.m.

March 16<sup>th</sup> - Grandparents' Mass (K-1)/Noon Dismissal

### Upcoming Events & Reminders:

\*Progress reports and assessment packets were sent home on Friday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>. Please take some time to review them. Then sign the progress report and return it as well as assessment packet in a timely manner. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

\*On Tuesday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, we will be celebrating Mardi Gras in preparation for the beginning of Lent on Ash Wednesday. If you have signed up to send in King Cakes, please make sure to put in your order at Martin's early. If you are supplying Mardi Gras beads or Mardi Gras masks, please shop early because they sell out quickly in the stores. We are looking forward to seeing who finds the baby in his/her piece of cake.

### KB Requests

\*Continue to practice sight words with your child on a nightly basis. If you find that your child is mastering the list very easily, begin to help him/her learn how to spell them. If you find that your child is having a difficult time, review only a handful of words each night to make sure that you do not overwhelm your child. Always remember to start with words that your child knows to build self-confidence.

\*Continue to focus on proper letter and number formation using the Zaner Bloser handwriting method. We work very hard in kindergarten to teach it, and it would be helpful for you to reinforce our efforts at home. It is very important that your child be forming the letters and numbers correctly because it is a skill that continues throughout elementary school. If you need another reference guide, please let me know, and I will get one to you very soon!



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