



# **First Grade News**

**May, 2012**

**Do This In Memory of Me**

**May 3: Casual Day**

**May 4: Early Dismissal at 2:00**

**May 10: Kindergarten Music Program**

**May 17: All School Mass for Ascension Thursday and Volunteer Appreciation**

**May 18: Our field trip to Schramm Park (more to come!)**

**May 21: Kitchen closed for the year. No school lunches. Bring a sack lunch and a drink. No pop.**

**May 22: 8th Grade Graduation**

**May 23: Kindergarten and First Grade Field Day, 9:00-11:00**

**May 25: All School Mass. Last day of school. Dismissal at 11:30. Report cards. We will miss you!**

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**Math: Addition and subtraction to 16, 2 digit addition and subtraction, measurement, money.**

**Spelling: Unit 28: "Words To Know", Unit 29: Family Words,**

**English: Punctuation and capitalization.**

**Phonics: Long "e", building words, blending phonograms, consonant blends, "y" as a vowel, "ed", "ing", digraphs.**

**Religion: Christians become the church, Pentecost.**

**Reading: Merrill Linguistics: adjectives, word order, sentence structure, contractions, main idea, pronouns, multiple meanings, cause and effect, synonyms.**

**Harcourt Brace: Sounds “j”, “g”, and “dge”, long “u” sound, review using “was” and “were”, short “e”, “ea”, making inferences, “go” and “went”, vowel digraph “oo”, summarizing, plot, phonograms “oom” and “oot”.**

**Social Studies: Johnny Appleseed, celebrating holidays, Native American Indians (their culture, homes, food sources and artifacts), the colonies, Benjamin Franklin, our country’s symbols, choosing our leaders, Eleanor Roosevelt, inventors and inventions, life around the world, Mae Jemison (Doctor, Scientist, Educator and Astronaut).**

**Science: The three forms of matter, (solid, liquid, gas), and the properties of these three types of matter. Force and motion, natural resources, taking care of our bodies.**

**Art: A Special Craft**

**A BIG THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL ART, COMPUTER, LIBRARY, JOURNALING, BOOK ORDER, AND ROOM PARENT HELPERS THIS YEAR. YOU WERE SO GENEROUS WITH YOUR TIME AND EXPERTISE.**

**It has been a pleasure and honor to teach your children this year. We cannot believe it is almost over! Have a fun and safe summer and God bless your families.**

**Fondly,  
Mrs. Cuadrado  
Mrs. Masters**