



January 16, 2025

Dear Parents,

We started our week finishing up with letter Q. On Tuesday, we were joined by Mr. Q's best friend, Ms. U. She has an unusual umbrella to help her fly up, up, up high in the sky. Her umbrella protects her from the rain. We learned about the water cycle and how rain helps to fill the oceans, lakes, rivers, ponds, and streams on earth. We designed and painted umbrellas and practiced counting and raindrops. We will continue with letter U next week as we focus more on the Universe before moving on to letter K later in the week.

"Everyday Words" used this week were: *I, like, to, do, you, see, and, are, my, made, is, there, me, a, on, they, go, when and have.* We will continue to review daily all the "Everyday Words" introduced so far. Not every child is ready to learn these words, so please follow your child's lead. Pointing these words out while reading to your child encourages his/her awareness of them. We read a new book each Tuesday so please return the Book Buddy Bag on Monday each week along with the library book.

There will be no Show & Tell next week. We will resume the week of January 27th with letter Kk.

REMINDERS:

- Please return Library books **and** Book Buddy bags **on Monday of each week.**
- Please remove all work from the folder **and** initial the behavior calendar **daily.**
- Please attach all correspondence to the clip in the school bag.
- There should be a full change of clothes in your child's school bag daily, including socks.
- Stay up to date on all things OLL by reading *The Cardinal Chronicles* every week on our school web site: www.ourladyofthelakeschool.org
- Help our school by saving Community Coffee labels along with Box Tops for Education.
- Please send your child's school sweater in their school bag **daily in addition to outerwear.** Students must wear the red school sweater while in the classroom.
- **With cooler weather comes outerwear. Please help us by labeling all outerwear and by teaching your child to put on/take off his/her own jackets and sweaters. When children are all waiting for help from the teachers it cuts into our much anticipated playground time.**

IMPORTANT DATES:

- January 20th - Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday-NO SCHOOL
- January 27th - 9 a.m. All School Mass to kick off Catholic Schools Week
- January 27th- January 31st- Catholic Schools Week
- February 3rd -Book Fair; 8:30-10:30 a.m. (Pre-K students must be accompanied by their parents. Children can be picked up from the classroom between these times.)
- February 10th -Signed Valentines due
- February 14th - Valentine Exchange/Class Party (students only)

<p>Math Enrichment Help your child explore attributes by placing several balls in a basket. Have your child choose a ball, use two words to describe it, draw it, then color the picture. Continue the activity until the basket is empty.</p>	<p>Fine Motor Enrichment Have your child stretch and place several rubber bands around a can of food then remove them one at a time.</p>	<p>Phonemic Awareness Which of these words rhymes with: heart: heat, smart, or hear? phone: stone, comb, or moon? yellow: belly, hill, or fellow? jump: joke, bump, or drum? farm: dog, barn, or arm?</p>
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Enjoy the long weekend! Really hoping the children will get to experience some snowfall. Bundle up!

Denise and Bella