

Dear Parents,

This year is going by quickly and we are already into the second half. This year we have been working hard on learning sight words as well as word families. We've learned some new spelling rules and learned to write our numbers to 100. We've learned to solve addition and subtraction facts to 10 and count money with dimes, nickels, and quarters. We have studied families and communities. We are beginning to write short stories.

Here are some things that we will be doing the rest of the school year. We have just celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> day of school. We are celebrating Catholic Schools Week now with many activities planned to remind us how lucky we are to be in a catholic school. We are beginning More Adventures of the Superkids (the second half of our reading series). Soon Lent will be upon us and we will better understand Holy Week and what makes it so important to Christians everywhere.

Math will include memorizing math facts to 18, better understanding place value, measuring, solving word problems, counting money and introducing regrouping. Science will include the benefit of exercise and good nutrition for our bodies. We will explore the relationship of force and motion, and look at natural forces like gravity and magnets.

Social Studies will include studying national symbols such as The Statue of Liberty, Our Nation's Capital, our flag, and some of our presidents, along with discussions on basic needs and wants.

We will also have a couple of service projects and field trips to finish off the year.

Mrs. Cummings