



Mr. Stipp's  
4th Grade News Letter  
January 25th, 2021

**As previously announced, we will be celebrating Catholic Schools week with a variety of activities. These activities will conclude with a Variety/Talent that will be recorded and then made available for viewing. The fourth grade will be performing the song "Everything is Beautiful" by Ray Stevens.**

**Our service project for Catholic Schools week will be a snack basket for the volunteers at the St. Vincent de Paul Store. The basket will be delivered on Monday afternoon. Donations of small prewrapped snacks will be appreciated.**

**Learning Focus :**

Reading - Our next reading story will continue to focus upon a scientific theme. It is titled "How Ben Franklin Stole the Lightning". This story is a biography about one of our country's founding fathers. This story will also support a future study of electricity in science. Grammar topics will include homographs and verb tense, as well as story vocabulary.

Spelling - This weeks spelling words can be found on page 49 of the Study Skills Practice Book Two. We will be following the traditional testing schedule this week.

Math - After a chapter seven review we will then skip to chapter ten in which we will be studying geometry. We will be picking up chapters eight and nine after the state testing sessions as multiplication and division of fractions are not currently tested standards.

Religion - This week we plan to have a unit review. The Old Testament story from this week will be "David and Goliath". We also plan to see a video on David and Goliath.

Science - We will begin our study of Simple Machines this week. We will have several demonstrations and experiments with simple and compound machines. The first two simple machines we will be examining are the lever and pulley.

Social Studies - As we move towards the end of Chapter Four we will be studying about the experimental settlement of New Harmony. Our final lesson of the Chapter we will learn about the various forms of early transportation in Indiana.