



# SCHOOL NEWS!



St. Joseph School  
5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grades  
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## Mrs. Watring's Classroom Newsletter

### Odds and Ends

This year is already moving so quickly! Something to add to your calendar is the date for the circus! Every other year the Shriners take the 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> to the circus and this is our year. We will be going on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. More information will go home at a later date, just wanted to give you that to mark on your calendars. Parents or grandparents are welcome to come!

### History

We started a new chapter in history this week about early civilizations. The first group we learned about was hunter-gathers. They worked on a web-quest to learn more about them and to imagine they lived in a world like theirs.

### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math

After the 5<sup>th</sup> grade worked on writing and solving equations and expressions. They tested over the information on Friday.

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Math

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade reviewed finding GCF and LCM and learned a new way to find each. They also reviewed prime factorization.

### Science

In science this week they learned about chemical changes. They did an experiment with changing liquid colors. Ask them about their stinky experiment!

### Religion

During religion this week they have been discussing the canonization process for saints.

### Reading & Writing Workshop

During reading workshop we practice text talk. Students talked in pairs about the book they were reading. In writing they have been working on writing their introductions. We talked about point of view this week and practiced identifying first and third person point of view.

### The Week Ahead

In history next week we will continue to learn about early civilizations. The 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be learning about graphs and central tendencies. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be combining like terms and solving multi-step equations. In reading we will be learning about close reading and in writing we will work on body paragraphs and learning how to punctuate dialogue.

Have a great weekend!

### Verse of the Week

Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Philippians 4:6

### Important Dates

**Friday, September 28: Spelling Test, 5<sup>th</sup> Math Test, Free Dress**

