

January 24, 2017

Dear Fifth Grade Families,

Our field trip to the Museum of Science and Industry is all set for Tuesday, January 31. Thanks for the quick response in submitting fees. Students need a labeled sack lunch (no milk this day) as we plan to eat at the museum. We are excited about this opportunity and we will experience several exhibits that coincide with our learning.

Our new Writing topic about National Parks has led to lots of enthusiasm. We will take our notes this week and begin to script persuasive paragraphs. Writing to persuade is really a skill that should come easily as many of them regularly practice powers of persuasion as they make requests. :) Now to channel those persuasive skills into the writing form. Please ask your student about the process.

Finally, a big thank you to Mr. Bolig, Mrs. Armstrong, and Mrs. Dahlstrom all of whom visited our classroom last week. As a class, Mr. Bolig led a series of exercises to help us determine VO2 max as related to our cardiac system. To further our knowledge of the digestive system, Mrs. Armstrong led a lively discussion about healthy eating. Ask your student about "Go, Whoa or No" foods. Finally, our Reading story this week led us on an adventure with Ernest Shackleton to Antarctica. Mrs. Dahlstrom, parent of two Grace graduates, has traveled to Antarctica and was able to give first hand knowledge about that experience. The kids were fascinated by her stories.

Please check the web page for curricular updates.

Together in Christ,

Mrs. Massmann

allthingsgrade5.weebly.com

P.S. Parent-teacher conferences are Thursday, February 2. This is a "drop-in" format so that you may visit multiple teachers. No appointments are needed and all teachers will be available for both afternoon and evening hours. More details next week.