

# Mrs. Beyus's Upper Primary Class

October 15th, 2020



# About Me

- I have been a teacher for eight years. This is my fourth year at St. John Paul the Great Academy.
- My Undergraduate degree is in English. My Masters is in Elementary Education.
- I am currently certified in the State of Connecticut.
- I did my student teaching and a year of teaching in fifth grade. I'm happy to be back with a similar age group!

# Our Specials

Monday: Spanish 1:15-1:55

Tuesday: Gym 11:55- 12:35

Wednesday: Music 1:15-1:55

Thursday: Art 10:10-10:50

\*We also attend church weekly. In years past this has been Wednesdays, but as we are live streaming Mass we have switched to Fridays.\*

# Schedule at a Glance

7:25-7:45 Students Arrive

7:45-8:00 Morning Work, Announcements, etc

8:00-8:40 Religion

8:40-9:20 Reading/Language Arts 1

9:20-9:35 Sanitize/Snack

9:30-10:10 Reading/Language Arts 2

10:10-10:15 Mask Break

# Schedule Continued

10:15-11:10 Math 1/Start of Math 2

11:10-11:15 Sanitize

11:15-11:55 Lunch/Recess

11:55-12:15 Math 2 Wrap up

12:15-12:25 Rosary

12:25-1:00 Writing

1:00-1:45 Science/Social Studies/STREAM

1:45-1:55 Sanitize/Writing Homework in Planner/Pack up

1:55: Closing Prayer

# Reading/Language Arts/Writing

- All students take weekly spelling tests. There are two lists each week.
- 3rd and 4th have separate reading groups. One grade works with me in their Reading Street books while the other works independently in their Spelling/Phonics book.
- The exception to this will be once per trimester we will read a novel as a class. I will give distance learners ample notice about this.
- I try to have writing 3-4 days a week even with specials. Students will learn various genres as well as about drafts, revisions, etc.

# Religion

Students will use Christ Our Life Books in class to learn about important events, people, and values of the Church.

Students pray a decade of the Rosary daily

We attend Mass virtually each week and on Holy Days of Obligation. Not sure if or when we will be back in person.

Family Life books will also be used throughout the year.

# Mathematics

Another time of the day where 3rd and 4th are working in groups. When one grade is working with me, the other is working on supplemental activities to review and reinforce what they have been learning.

Typically this will be done in the Progress softcover workbook, but there may be other worksheets used as well.

# Social Studies/Science/STREAM

Social Studies is Typically on Tuesdays and Thursdays, Science is on Mondays and Wednesdays, and I like to do something STREAM related on Fridays.

Sometimes the STREAM activity is a hands on build (individual at the moment) or something on the Chromebooks.

We use various textbooks, websites, appropriate video clips and other activities for these subjects.

Heath also falls under the Science category. I plan to switch between the two textbooks throughout the year.

# Additional Things to Mention

- Students will turn in homework every day. The exception is their reading log which can be turned in once it is filled. Typically no homework is assigned on Fridays.
- If you have notes for the office, remind your child to hand it in with their homework.
- Student in 3rd Grade have a different grading system than students in 4th. 3rd has numbers (1-5) while 4th has letter grades (A-F).
- You can check my gradebook at any time. If you are not able to please let me know.
- Progress Reports to be sent 10/21
- I will be available for virtual conferences after that date. **These are not mandatory for the first trimester.**

# Other Continued

- If your child forgets their homework, it is also on Google Classroom.
- If you changed your child's password for their account in the spring, please share it with them. We do things on the chromebooks at school and several cannot login because they don't know the password to their student account. I can have it reset if needed.
- If your child is sick and at home, they are able to join our livestream if they are feeling up to it. Please keep in mind that they will not have their textbooks. The link can be found in Google Classroom.
- Newsletter. I plan to start a weekly one. Do you prefer email or via Google Classroom?
- Spanish: Don't forget those headphones!

# Classroom Wishlist

Our classroom could always use the following:

- Wipes (I know they are a rarity these days, but we go through a lot!)
- Tissues
- Plastic Cutlery (Spoons especially)
- Gently loved chapter books (This is something after restrictions are lifted)
- Chalk

# Questions?

You can email me at [upperprimary2@sjptga.org](mailto:upperprimary2@sjptga.org) if you ever have any questions, comments, or concerns. Make sure you put that 2 in our you will get Mrs. Hubert instead. I typically try to answer within 24 hours with the weekends being the main exception.

Thank you for coming and I hope “see” you soon!