



## Newsletter

November 6, 2017

From Mrs. Gruber:

There are many ways that teachers assess students. This year we are implementing the Fountas & Pinnell reading assessment program. *"The Fountas & Pinnell Benchmark Assessment Systems provide teachers with precise tools and texts to observe and quantify specific reading behaviors, and then interpret and use that data to plan meaningful instruction."* Teachers in grades K-8, will assess their students several times throughout the school year. Instruction will be based on the students' reading levels, with flexible grouping throughout the year.

Another assessment we use is the MAP assessment. Students in grades k-8 completed the MAP assessment in October. Grades K-1 take reading and math, 2-3 take reading, math and Language arts, 4-8 take reading, math, Language arts and science. This assessment also provides data that teachers use to inform their instruction. Flexible groupings can be used to meet the needs of all students. Teachers can use the MAP Learning Continuum, which provides lists of skills that students need to learn, have learned or are ready to learn.

Report cards are another form of assessment. Each quarter teachers give final grades based on all the work students have completed during the quarter. Parents and students have access to Powerschool, our on- line grading system. I encourage parents to view Powerschool often, especially for their children in grades 4-8. Make sure to view the details, not just the grade. This

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is a form of communication that allows parents and students to see the assignments and the grade for the assignments.

Powerschool link: <https://gbdioc.powerschool.com/>

Please contact your child's teacher if you have questions or concerns about your child's progress.

As we truly begin Fall, let us remember to have hearts filled with gratitude and thanks for all God has given us! Thank you for choosing St. Clare Catholic School for your child (ren).

Mrs. Gruber

*There will be some St. Clare logo t-shirts available for free in the office.*

## Dates to remember:

Nov. 7 Adoration @ 2:00 Wrightstown church

Nov 7 Home and School meeting @ 6:30 in school-babysitting will be available

Nov 10 report cards will go home

Nov 14 Feasting for Funds @ Hilly Haven Golf Course 4-9 p.m. Dine in or Carry out

Nov. 15- School Committee meeting @ 6:00 (school)

***Nov. 17 donations for baskets for the St. Nick Breakfast are DUE***

***Nov 21 pie pick up @ school***

***Dec. 10 Breakfast with St. Nick***

***Dec. 20 Christmas program 1:00 & 6:00 p.m.-mark your calendars and let your relatives know that the date is set. Details will follow.***

[Read more on our website](#)



