

Welcome to 5th Grade!

Hello! My name is Sharon Cheseldine, and I am so excited to begin a new adventure here at St. Peter's School! I have been teaching for over 13 years, and I can't imagine doing anything else! I received my BA in English from St. Mary's College of Maryland, and my Elementary Education Certification from The College of Notre Dame of Maryland. My husband and I have been married for almost 19 years, and we have four children, ranging in age from ten to seventeen years old. We love to read and spend time together.



5th Grade is an important transition year for students. In order to prepare for the rigors of middle school, we will be learning many study strategies and note-taking skills. We will also integrate technology into our learning with our classroom Chromebooks. This will allow students to access digital media to increase their opportunities for growth. Another program that students will be able to access to increase their academic growth is Accelerated Reading and Math.

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In Religion, we are studying the Sacraments, and how they bring us closer to God.

We are adding, subtracting fractions right now in Math. After we master this skill, we will move on to multiplying and dividing fractions. This can be a difficult concept for students to grasp, so we will be doing lots of fractions practice!

We will continue Language Arts this year by practicing our Reading skills and the writing process. Students will follow the writing process to write a persuasive essay using correct grammar and grade level vocabulary. Students will continue to use critical thinking skills to analyze and respond to literature.

In Science, we will finish the Life Science curriculum by discussing ecosystems, and move into Earth-Space Science. In our once-a-week STEM classes, we are learning about Physical Science.

We are continuing to explore Geography with our new 5th Grade Social Studies curriculum. We will continue to study world geography by focusing on the different continents and cultures of the world. This is an exciting way for students to learn about other cultures.

I am looking forward to continuing this exciting educational journey this year! Go Storm!