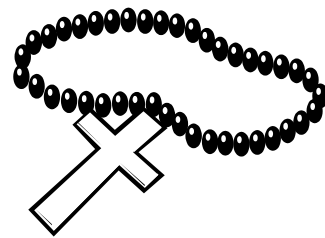




# Kinder News

October 9, 2009



## October: The Month of the Rosary

We continue to discuss and pray the rosary. On Monday morning we participated in a school wide rosary service. If your child has a rosary at home, they are welcomed to bring them to our rosary services. Please practice the Hail Mary prayer at home; it is difficult for most of the students. This week we talked about people in our lives that we are thankful for. We even wrote thank you notes to let them know how special they are. Next week, we will begin the school wide mission project. For the next two weeks we will be learning about children of the world. We will learn how God's love reaches to every corner of the globe.

## Reading

The students have enjoyed the story, The Monster Pet. We are learning what "character" and "setting" means. We role-played the story emphasizing the characters and made our own monsters. You can see these posted in our hallway when you are at school. We also practiced syllable clapping the color words in the story. Ask your child about The Monster Pet.

## Math

This week we finished up our unit on patterns. We met Patterns the Clown who likes to juggle only patterns and made a class book where each student made their own pattern. We also practiced labeling our patterns.

At calendar we have been reviewing odd and even numbers. After finding the date we decide if it is an odd number or an even number. We have learned that if it is an even number it can be divided into two groups with none left over and it can be counted by twos. Also, we discuss if the date is a single digit or two- digit number. We are learning that with a two-digit number we must look at the ones place to decide if it is even or odd. We also have activities involving the number of days we have had in our school year so far. We look at place value, adding a straw each day. This is paving the way for regrouping and should be beneficial in math lessons to come.

## Science

This week we have been learning about leaves. We have discussed that different trees have different types of leaves. We learned that a leaf has three parts and that each part has a job. The students completed "My Leaf Book" in which they illustrated each part of the leaf. Ask your student if they can tell you the three parts of a leaf: blade, vein and stem.

### PLEASE NOTE:

- **Book orders were sent home this week. If you are interested, please send your order and check to school on MONDAY!**
- **The deadline to switch from 80% to full day for 2<sup>nd</sup> trimester is Oct. 15. This would take effect November 16<sup>th</sup>. Please let us know if you have decided to switch.**
  - **November 14<sup>th</sup> is a 1:30 dismissal day.**

Have a nice weekend!

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