

Kinder News



February 5, 2010

Religion

This week was Catholic School Week! We enjoyed seeing many families at our open house last Sunday and we hope you learned a little bit more about our day in kindergarten. We learned what makes our school special and the blessing of a faith based education. **THANK YOU PARENTS!**

Literacy

This week we continued our focus on beginning, middle, and ending sounds using one of our favorite manipulatives...FOOD! Students moved the snack to the correct space on their board depending on where they heard the target sound. What a tasty way to learn.

The students also demonstrated their knowledge of recalling and sequencing a story. This is an important comprehension

skill and a kindergarten expectation. A good way to build this skill is to stop occasionally when reading with your child and ask them to recall details or make predictions. Also, help them make connections with other stories they've read or personal events.

Math

We finished our unit on money this week and took a chapter test covering both measurement and money. Look for this to come home with your child and a note attach explaining the skills covered.

Next week we will be celebrating our 100th day of school. On **Monday, Feb. 8th** please send 100 items with your child. The items can be anything you can find around your home. Cheerios, marbles, QTips, rubber bands...use your imaginations! We will be sharing them during our math time to compare 100 in all different shapes and sizes. Use this opportunity to practice counting with your child. You could count to ten ten times, count them by fives, or even twos!

THANK YOU!

Science

Our animal unit is coming to an end. This week we discussed how animals eat and compared their different body coverings.

The students demonstrated their knowledge of different animal characteristics through creating a puppet. Ask your child to point out the animal's specific characteristics. Next week we will be finishing up with the animal unit and focusing on nutrition and healthy living.

Reminder:

Please have your child bring a valentine box to school on Friday, February 12th. This will be their homework for next week. Be sure to put your child's name on the box and the slit at the top should be big enough for the valentines. Your child is welcome to bring valentines and PLEASE ADDRESS THEM TO INDIVIDUAL STUDENTS.

Dates to Remember:

Wednesday, Feb. 10th - Spirit Wear

Friday, Feb. 12th - Classroom Valentine's Parties

Tuesday, Feb. 16th - Conferences 4:30 - 7:30

Thursday, Feb. 18th - Conferences 11 - 7

NO SCHOOL 2/18 or 2/19

A NOTE FROM OUR LIBRARIAN, MRS. HEAD!

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8TH IS OUR 100TH DAY CELEBRATION !!!!

Congratulations to students, teachers, and parents for 100 GREAT days of teaching, learning, and being together as a community. To turn our celebration into something everlasting... we're asking every student to bring 100 coins to the library on Monday, FEBRUARY 8th the 100TH DAY OF THE SCHOOL YEAR. Your coins will be counted and turned into books we will read and enjoy for many years to come. Practice your counting, get rid of that heavy change, and help the library!

Pennies, nickels, dimes, quarter any coin counts!

Congratulations and a big thank you from the library!

Have a great weekend!

Mrs. Morris
Mrs. Crandell
Mrs. Howard