



St. James Kindergarten Newsletter

October 15 - 19

Parent Tips:

A list of all the high frequency words your child has learned this trimester is on the Kindergarten website. Please be practicing at home, also.

Report card testing is being done now. We are assessing your child on all our high frequency words from this trimester (the list is on our website), number recognition, uppercase/lowercase letters, letter sounds.

Favorite Read Alouds:

The Three Little Pigs

Happy Halloween, Little Critter!

By Mercer Mayer



Highlights:



1. Kindergartners worked together in literature circle groups to read and perform versions of the classic tale, The Three Little Pigs.
2. We learned more about sunlight and how the sun warms everything on Earth's surface.
3. In Second Step, we learned about using our words when we are angry/upset and how anger is a normal feeling, but we should express it calmly.
4. We listened to a couple more editions of the Noah's Ark Bible story.

High Frequency Words: *are, in, no*

Jolly Phonics Sounds: *review of book 4 sounds: ai, j, oa, ie, ee, or*



Upcoming Events:

- Monday, Oct 29th — Spiritwear day
- Tuesday, Oct 31st - Halloween party; Fun fair in the PM.
- Wednesday, Nov 1st - All Saint's Day Mass in the AM
- Friday, Nov 2nd - End of First Trimester
- Monday, Nov 5th - Pizza with a Purpose (send beverage)
- Thursday, Nov 8th - early dismissal; Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Friday, Nov 10th - No school; Parent-Teacher Conferences



Halloween is approaching!
Here are St. James' guidelines:

Costumes: No face paint, masks, hair dye, or weapons please. Those are best left for trick-or-treating at home. A costume your child can put on with no or very little assistance would be best.

Treats: No candy is to be brought in for snack or parties or for distribution. It will be sent home.



Weekly Curriculum:

Reading and writing: The students have now completed book four of Jolly Phonics sounds! They know more double letter sounds along with a couple new single letter sounds: *ai, j, oa, ie, ee, or* sounds. We continue to listen for these sounds as we read and wrote (ie: corn—c,or,n).

Religion: Kindergartners are loving listening to more versions of Noah's Ark! They know God made it rain for 40 days & nights, God sent a dove out to find dry land, Noah and his family built the ark and two of each animal climbed aboard.

Phonemic Awareness (blue book):

They are becoming better at recognizing lowercase letters as we practice uppercase and lowercase letter name and sounds. We now are saying two words and listening to their beginning sound (big, boy—b). They also practice adding an ending to a word (funny + er + funnier).



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