



Mrs. Granato's Classroom Connections



Reminders:

- Monday is Pizza with a Purpose. Students who ordered should pack a drink.
- Students who brought home recorders today should bring them back on Friday for music class.

What Did We Learn This Week?

Religion: Students learned how the Holy Spirit helps us live prayerful lives and what the fruits of the Holy Spirit are. Students learned that when sharing the fruits of the Holy Spirit, we can be like Jesus and live how the Holy Spirit wants us too. Students were told the story of the Holy Spirit coming to the disciples at Pentecost. We also discussed Saint Katharine Drexel, who grew up wealthy and shared her wealth to start missions and schools.

Reading: This week, students learned how writers use rich description and figurative language to help create vivid images in a reader's mind. We discussed how a reader's knowledge of literal and nonliteral language can help readers better understand a story. Students studied and identified several different types of figurative language (alliteration, onomatopoeia, hyperbole, simile, metaphor, and idiom).

ELA: In English, students reviewed how verbs are words that show action. Students engaged in several lessons where they learned to form verbs in the past tense. We also were able to think of topics we could write about using an ABC chart.

Math: Students concluded their multiplication chapter this week by multiplying using an array. They also used their problem-solving skills to create tables and tree diagrams. We finished up the week with a chapter 4 review and test.

Science: This week in science, students were able to describe some factors that affect climate. They learned that some places, such as Hawaii, have multiple climates. This is due to differences in height of the island. Students were also able to participate in a lab this week. They devised a plan to test a prediction about how Earth's tilt affects the amount of sunlight radiating on its surface.

Social Studies: In social studies, students read biographies of three influential historical figures. They summarized in first person point of view the important life events that occurred in their hero's life. They also explained the contributions towards independence made by this person. Later in the week, students learned the skill of making a decision. We discussed that while this skill takes place in many aspects of our lives, making decisions impact historical events too.

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, Dec. 2

- First Sunday of Advent

Monday, Dec. 3

- Pizza with a Purpose

Tuesday, Dec. 4

Wednesday, Dec. 5

- Second Step

Thursday, Dec. 6

- Session 12 Open
- Book Religion Quiz
- Reading Vocab Quiz

Friday, Dec. 7

- Mass
- Unit 11 Spelling Test
- Ch. 4 Social Studies Test