



St. James Kindergarten Newsletter

October 29th -November 2nd

Parent Tips:

1. Some things to practice at home to help promote independence: shoe tying, coat zipping, putting on gloves and hats.
2. **Thanksgiving** is approaching! We will be having a Feast on Tuesday, Nov. 20th in the AM. More information to come.

Favorite Read Alouds:

The Legend of Spookley the Square Pumpkin by Joe Troiano

Turkey Trick or Treat by Wendi Silvano



Highlights:



1. We all enjoyed the All Saints' Day mass on Thursday-saints appeared!
2. We celebrated Halloween with class activities and sharing our costumes!
3. Kindergartners got into the Halloween spirit with a fine motor skill activity on Wednesday morning—ripping orange paper to fill their pumpkin.
4. Students practiced counting skills and reviewed their shapes by adding different shaped pizza toppings to a pizza!

High Frequency Words: *like, and, big*

Jolly Phonics Sounds: review of Book 5 sounds: *z, w, ing, v, oo/oo* and new sounds, *y* and *x*



Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, Nov 3rd -- Jubilation
- Tuesday, Nov 6th -- report cards distributed
- Thursday, Nov 9th -- 1:30pm dismissal; PM conferences
- Friday, Nov 10th -- No School, AM conferences
- Tuesday, Nov 20th -- Thanksgiving Feast
- Nov 21-23 -- Thanksgiving Break; No school



Reminders:

Report cards are going home on Tuesday, November 6th. Please initial the envelope and return to your child's teacher. (You keep the report card and papers)

Thanks!



Weekly Curriculum:

Math: During calendar, we had to use three full ten frames earlier in the week to show the day of the month! We also continue to recognize the "tens" and "ones" place when we count the day of school, we have already made it past day 50!

Reading & Writing: We finished Jolly Phonics books 5 and created our practice flashcards for: z, w, v, ing, oo/OO sounds. Students practiced letter names & sounds with a peer/teacher. We also started Jolly Phonics book 6 with the y and x sound and thought of words with their sounds.

Second Step: Students learned about accidents, they happen to everyone and accidents are okay. We just have to be sure to use our words/voice to let the other person know that it was an accident! Saying, "I'm sorry, it was an accident, are you okay?" is a great way to be a kind peer.



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