



St. James Kindergarten Newsletter

January 21 – 25th

Reminders:

Valentine's Boxes are due Friday (Feb 8th). We will decorate them in class prior to our party, you just need to cover the box with white/colored paper. If you are choosing to send Valentines, continue to work on them at home. Remember no candy is allowed in your child's valentines.

Favorite Read Alouds:

There was a Cold Lady who Swallowed Some Snow! by Lucille Colandro

Owl Moon by Jane Yolen



Highlights:



1. Kindergartners practiced addition using snowmen spinners! They spun each addend on their snowman and then solved using a number line, manipulatives, fingers or just knowing it.
2. Students listened to the Caldecott award-winning picture book Owl Moon by Jane Yolen. They then wrote about their favorite character (the child, the dad or the owl) in the story.
3. Kindergartners used cubes to measure different winter themed pictures. They recorded their measurements, too.

High Frequency Words: for, all around

(Last week's words: was, about)



Upcoming Events:

-Sun Jan 27th - Catholic Schools Week begins.
11:30am family mass in PC. Open House follows until 2pm

-Mon. Jan 28th - Spiritwear day

- Mon & Tues. Jan 28 & 29th - Book Fair visit
(varies for each classroom)

-Fri. Feb 1st - Variety Show

-Mon. Feb 4th- NO school

-Tues/Weds. Feb 5 & 6th - Hearing testing

-Fri. Feb. 8th- K for a Day & PCL special lunch
*send a beverage



Catholic Schools Week Schedule:

Monday: Book Fair Day* (day varies on child's classroom)

Cultural Arts assembly at 10AM

Tuesday: Book Fair Day * (day varies on child's classroom)

Wear mix-match clothes

Wednesday: Band Concert 2:45 pm

Thursday:

Ice cream at lunch

All School BINGO in PM

Friday: Mass

Service Project

Variety Show 1:00PM



Weekly Curriculum:

Reading & writing: Kindergartners completed a high frequency word page, focusing on *for*. They had to trace it, write it, find it, and use it in a sentence. They also read the sentences out loud to a peer/teacher.

We continue to work in guided reading groups; the students enjoy the time in a small group with the teacher as they read a book, practice letter sounds and even retell the story they read.

Students also practiced writing their letter Tt using lined paper and pencils. We really stress the importance of slowing down as they write/form their letters.

Math: During calendar time we continue to count by tens and ones. We are so close to 100! We now know that we just need three more days until the 100th day of school! We talk about which number is in the tens place and which number is in the ones place.

Kindergartners also continue to practice missing numbers; they picked a number card and then had to think & write what came before/after that given number.



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