Kindergarten's Newsletter February 26, 2016

Religion

We have been learning about the Ten Commandments and how God gave us rules to help us be happy and kind to one another. We will be learning about The Beatitudes as well. God blesses all of us and The Beatitudes remind us to take care of others in need.

Dr. Seuss and Literacy

We will be celebrating Dr. Seuss all week in honor of his birthday. We will focus on Wacky Wednesday opposites and rhyming. Students can wear wacky socks on Wednesday, too! Feel free to send in Dr. Seuss books from home all week. Please write your student's name in the books so they can be returned.

Also on Wednesday, we'd love to have a special snack: Dr. Seuss hats (out of fruit) and green eggs and ham (but not really eggs!). For these projects we'd need bananas (6), strawberries (1 pint), deli ham (1/2 lb), sliced pickles (1 jar), and 5 cheese sticks. If you could bring one of these items in, please let me know. Thank you so much for your help!

Math

We will be finishing up Topic 9 about decomposing numbers and then work on telling time to the hour. We will practice reading time on a clock with a face as well as a digital clock. This is a great skill to practice at home, too.

Social Studies

In social studies, we are continuing to look at timelines and incorporating telling time into a timeline. We will use vocabulary like yesterday, today, and tomorrow as well.

Homework

We have added sentence writing to daily homework. When writing, we are working on spacing between words, starting with a capital, and ending with punctuation. Another important skill to emphasize is sounding out, or "stretching," words independently. If your child is spelling phonetically correct, they are using their knowledge of letter sounds and developing that. We emphasize this over correct spelling. Some words we do make sure we have written correctly are: a, the, is, it... This list of spelling words will grow as we hone our skills.

Specialist Schedule:

Mondays- PE and music
Tuesdays- music
Wednesdays- art
Thursdays- PE, library, and
Spanish (check out and return
day for library)
Fridays- library and Spanish

Dates to Keep:

2/29 -3/3- Dr. Seuss Week

3/2- POW

3/4- No school

3/5- Cathedral Auction

SLE: Schoolwide Learning Expectations

Your student will be bringing home a self-assessment on how he/she has fulfilled the SLEs during the week.

Please look it over with your child and use it as a tool to point out what they are doing well and what they can improve upon.

Lastly, write a goal for the following week, sign it, and return every Monday (or the first day back after the weekend).