Kindergarten's Newsletter January 22, 2016

Religion

Thank you for sending in your child's baptismal pictures and a doll or stuffed animal to "baptize." The students had a great time looking at the church's baptismal font closer.

Next week, we will learn about being a part of a parish. We will learn that our parish is a church family and the pastor is the priest who is the leader of the parish.

Catholic Schools Week

There is a lot going on the first week of February as we celebrate National Catholic Schools Week. We will kick it off with a family mass on Sunday, January 3 I st at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's. All students are invited to attend and participate. If your child would like to participate, click this link:

http://goo.gl/forms/8w90QTF2aN

Language Arts

We are reading stories with problem and solution structures. We ask ourselves questions to determine multiple solutions to the problem. Then, we see how the author solves the problem.

We are continuing our informational writing unit with each child making their own maps. They have taken notes with directions to a place in our school. Then, we turn those notes into a map adding symbols and a map key. Lastly, the students write directions that match the map.

Math

The students have been acting out subtraction stories. Sometimes we pretend they are candies that get eaten and sometimes they are Valentines that fall out of my pocket! They have a laugh and learn at the same time! We will delve deeper into subtraction using the vocabulary: left, take away, and minus.

Social Studies

In preparation for Presidents' Day, we are learning about US Presidents as well as American symbols. We will look at bald eagles, The Statue of Liberty, Mt. Rushmore, The White House... If you have visited any of the national monuments, feel free to send in pictures, memorabilia, or books about these places.

We are hoping to pretend "carve" Mt. Rushmore out of soap, build The White House out of sugar cubes, and build Abraham Lincoln's log house out of pretzel sticks. If you could bring in any of these items, please let me know. Thank you for your help!

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:

1/29- PBS assembly

1/31- Catholic Schools Week Mass, 9 a.m.

2/3- Special Friends' Breakfast

2/5- Teacher in-service, no school

Sharing Theme:

Tell and/or bring in a picture of a place you have traveled to.

1/25-Eden

1/26-Jesse

1/27-Dermot

1/28-Magnus

1/29-Vincent

2/I-Hannah

2/2-Apolina

2/3-Colton

2/4-Cecily

2/8- Isabella

2/9-Hugo