

Kindergarten News

Classroom News

Thank you so much to our Halloween party planners! We had delicious snacks and fun activities! If you are interested in planning a party for Christmas or Valentine's Day, please sign up on Volgistics.

Curriculum Focus for Next Week

religion: We celebrated All Saints Day and had a visit from Fr. Tim. He spoke with the lower school students about being kind to all and embracing others' differences. He talked about finding a difference in someone and complimenting it.

language arts: We are practicing using our prior knowledge, learning new knowledge, and connecting that knowledge together. We will be practicing this while we read as well as when we embark on informational writing. The students will share their prior knowledge about ladybugs and also use non-fiction resources to gather facts and knowledge.

Another focus in language arts is lower case letter formation. We practice forming our letters with little rhymes. We are starting with round letters- o, c, a. All of these letters start just under the dotted line on writing paper; therefore, at the beginning of each letter, we say, "Up, around, close" for an /o/ or we would say "Up, around, and stop!" for a /c/.

math: We continue to use 10 frames to make numbers to 10. The 10 frame helps to visually show students a number. We fill a 10 frame left to right, top to bottom. We are also practicing number formation. When forming numbers, we always start at the top.

For some math practice at home, count forward and backward from any number between one and ten. So, for instance say, "Four," and your child can respond by counting on, "Five, six, seven"

social sciences and science: We are linking science and language arts

together by learning facts and writing reports about living creatures. First, we will study ladybugs. Next, students will be choosing their own creature to research and report about.

School News

We have some upcoming service projects! In November the 5th grade will be collecting canned and dried goods to donate to Lift Urban Portland. There will be information in the school newsletter as to when donations can be brought in.

In December the 8th grade will be heading up the sock project. We collect adult-sized tube socks and fill them with mini-candies, granola bars, and mini-toiletries. The student body stuffs about 1000 socks and hands them out at Potluck in the Park on Christmas Eve. If you'd like to send in your leftover Halloween candy, or any other items from the list above, we will gladly use it for the sock project. Thank you for supporting our service efforts!

Upcoming Events

11/10- Veteran's Day assembly at 8:20

11/11- Veteran's Day, no school

11/16- POW

11/23- half day, dismissal at 11:30

11/24-25- Thanksgiving Break