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Please email me ASAP, if you plan on chaperoning for our zoo trip next week Tuesday - Thank you! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at: scripps@saintscjm.com God Bless You and enjoy the weekend with your family.

Week of September 29th

Monday: Art and Music
Tuesday: Field trip to the zoo
Wednesday: Library
Thursday: Gym
Friday: Mass, Spelling test, Music, and Spanish

Reminders

- *Please sign-up for a conference time for either 10-2-24, or 10-7-24. I look forward to seeing you soon!
- *The Book-It Program will begin in October. The calendar will be in your child's burgundy homework folder. Please encourage your child to read daily!
- *Please continue to read and practice math facts with your child daily. This will make a difference!

Spelling Words

who what where why when which
 cash dash crash trash

What We're Learning This Week

ELA	Math	Religion	Science/Social Studies
*Focused on problem and solution, character's feelings and prediction *Focused on the sh sound and reviewed the ch and tch sounds *Focused on writing and illustrating a personal narrative *Focused on pronouns and writing complete sentences.	*Focused on subtraction strategies *Practiced Counting by 5 and 10 * Focused on word problems with +/- *Focused on patterns and tally marks *Focused on identifying and counting coins	*Focused on John the Baptist. Discussed how he helped people get ready for Jesus. **Focused on how Jesus shared God's love with everyone. *Discussed how God cares and watches over us. We focused on how we need to trust in God. *Discussed St. Martin de Porres	*Created a habitat mural. *Reviewed stages of life of a person and took a test over it. *Focused on physical and human characteristics. *Focused on qualities of a good citizen.





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The Week of September 23, 2024

If you or a relative plan on attending the John Paul Zoo with us on October 1st, please let me know by email ASAP - thank you! It will be a fun day and I look forward to seeing you there! Thank you to everyone who has returned the permission slips. I hope you have an enjoyable weekend with your family! God Bless You! My email is: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

- Monday:** Art and Music
- Tuesday:** Gym
- Wednesday:** Library
- Thursday:** Gym
- Friday:** Mass, Music, Spanish, & Spelling Test #3

(Spelling words will be in the back of your child's homework folder each week)

Book It Program

We will participate in The Pizza Hut Book It Program this year. It will begin on Oct. 1st and end on March 31st. I will put a Book It Calendar in your child's homework folder every month. Please have your child, color the picture on the days he/she has read at home and keep it in the blue homework folder. If your child reads 15 days or more that month, he/she will earn a pan pizza from Pizza Hut. I will send the coupon to you each month when your child meets his/her goal. Happy Reading!

Student of the Week

Adeline Rewa is our special student of the week. She has five brothers and sisters in her family, a dog named Molly and two cats. Adeline is very artistic and loves to draw. She enjoys climbing trees and eating popsicles. She also likes to go to the zoo with her family and go out for ice cream. When she is older, she would like to be a dancer and ballet teacher. She would also like to learn how to drive a Tesla! Her favorite restaurant is Big Boy and her favorite food is Ramen noodles. Adeline enjoys reading books about animals too! Her favorite animal is a cheetah. Way to go, Adeline! We are so proud of you!

What We're Learning This Week

ELA	Math	Religion	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Read and wrote words with the "ch" and "tch" sound. *Problem and solution, prediction, and character. *Wrote a narrative, identified pronouns, and focused on writing a sentence. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Discussed different subtraction strategies *Focused on counting numbers by 5 and 10 and understanding patterns. *Learning to identify and count coins. *Practicing addition and subtraction facts to 10. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Discussed how Mary was chosen by God and a model for all Christians *Recognize the Holy Land as the place where Jesus lived, worked, died and rose from the dead. *Discussed how the Holy Family obeyed God and prayed to him. FRIENDZY * We are one in Christ. God made each one of us so special and unique. We are all connected and we need each other. God works with each and everyone of us. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discussed habitats. Students began creating a habitat mural that focuses on where we live, places in our community, plants and animals. *Focused on why we have rules. *Focused on being a good citizen.





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School Number: (616) 754-3416

Important Dates

Monday - Art and Music

Tuesday - Gym

Wednesday - Library

Thursday - Gym

Friday - Mass, Music, Spanish, and Spelling/Sight Word

Reminders

*This Saturday we will have the celebration of ECCE, we hope to see see you there!

*Next week we will finally celebrate our first graders with a V.I.P. each week. Since they are all wonderful students, we will draw sticks to pick our special first grader!

***We plan on going to the zoo on Oct. 1st with the kdgn. and 2nd grade class. Please keep the date open so that you can join us - Thank You!**

Spelling and Sight Words

SPELLING WORDS: inch, pinch, lunch, bunch, chip, chop, ranch, branch, chick, check

SIGHT WORDS: he, she, her, his, my, said, put, was, of, to

I will check the students on sight words on Monday and retest on Friday if needed.

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on cvc words - blending and writing *Practiced reading sight words *Focused on writing a complete sentence. *Reviewed proper nouns and quotation marks. *Began writing a personal narrative. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Reviewed adding doubles, doubles plus one strategy, and counting on for addition. *Focused on subtraction *Focused on counting to 100 and identifying coins. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focused on the Holy Trinity. Focused on The Sign of the Cross and how it is a prayer to the Blessed Trinity. Practiced making The Sign of the Cross. Painted crosses for the celebration of ECCE this Saturday. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Discussed the life stages of a person. *Discussed qualities of a good citizenship. *Discussed how God gave us all special talents



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The Week of September 9, 2024

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School Number: (616) 754-3416

Important Dates

Monday: Art, Music and Charity Day
Tuesday: Gym
Wednesday: Library
Thursday: Gym
Friday: Mass, Music, Spelling test, and Spanish

Spelling Words

big, dig, cat, flat,
hop, mop, rug,
tug, nest, best

Spelling/Sight Words

We will begin spelling and sight word tests next week. The spelling words will be sent home every Friday and I will put a copy in the back cover of your child's homework folder each week. Spelling tests will be on Friday, unless we have a shortened week. I will also test your child every other Monday on sight words. If they know all the words, I will not test them again that week. However, if they miss one or more words, they will be tested again on Friday. If they need practice, I will send home a list of the words to practice on Monday of that week.

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Religion	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on CVC words - blending and writing words*Focused on beginning sounds*Discussed how to write a complete sentence and focused on the 3 types of sentences.* Focused on writing a personal narrative that has beginning, middle and end	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Learned different strategies to add numbers.*Focused on tens and ones*Reviewed penny and nickel and reviewed how to write a digital date*Reviewed counting by 1's and 10's	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Discussed how Adam and Eve brought sin into our world.Focused on taking responsibility for our choices.*Discussed how Mary took care of Jesus and how he died on the cross so that we can have eternal rest in Heaven.*Focused on the Bible and how it teaches us about God's love.Bible stories help us to see God at work in our lives.	<p>Focused on why it is important to learn from each other.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">*Discussed how God gave us different talents.*Discussed the life stages of a person - infant, toddler, child, and teenager.



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The Week of September 2, 2024

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School Number: (616) 754-3416

Important Dates

Monday: Labor Day!

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library

Thursday: Gym

Friday: Mass, Music & Spanish

Homework

We will begin homework next week.

Homework will be Monday thru Thursday and should only take about ten minutes each night.

I would also strongly encourage you to read daily with your child and practice math facts.

This is so beneficial in first grade!

Student of the Week

On our first full week of school, we will begin our Student of the Week. This will be a special week for each student. It is a nice way to learn about every student and make them feel extra special. We will draw sticks each week to pick the Student of the Week. We will also have a bulletin board in the hallway to celebrate each student. The board will be changed each week. If you have any questions, please let know! Have a happy Labor Day weekend and email me if you have any questions or concerns.

What We're Learning This Week

The students are doing a wonderful job adjusting to first grade. This week we read a few short stories from our reading book! We have amazing readers in grade 1! We also continued to work on beginning sounds and short vowels. In writing, we focused on the three types of sentences and discussed how to write a complete sentence. In math we are focusing on different strategies to add numbers. In religion, we focused on Creation and how God created everything. We focused on how we need to take care of God's creation. We also discussed how God gave each of us special talents so we can do his will. In science, we discussed the life cycle of a person and in social studies we focused on how we get along with others. We also continued to review rules and procedures. We had another busy week in first grade! God Bless You and enjoy the four day weekend!





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The Week of June 2, 2024

Next Monday will be our clean day! Please have your child wear comfortable shorts and a t-shirt because we will be cleaning. Please do not wear any new summer clothing! -Thank you

Important Dates

Monday: Clean Day! Students can wear shorts!

Tuesday: Fun Day with lunch from the PTO! Thank you for driving your child to St. Mary's Church.

Wednesday: Mass at 9am and Awards Ceremony at 9:50 am in the Activities Building. School dismissal will be after Awards!

Thank You!

Thank you for all of your support and help this year! It is always so rewarding to see how the students progress throughout the year, especially in reading, writing and math! They are all working independently and are ready to move on to second grade. I will really miss them, but they will enjoy Mrs. Kemp next year! Thank you again for everything! God is so good! Enjoy the summer!

Summer Skills

Please encourage your child to read and practice math facts throughout the summer. It is amazing how much students can lose if they do not read and practice math skills daily. PLEASE, I strongly encourage you to set aside at least 30 minutes each day to practice math facts and read daily. It will make a difference. Make it fun! Read with a flashlight, under a tree, in a tent, or call grandparents and special friends and read to them! A special writing journal with fun pens will help encourage writing too! Create books or write letters to friends! IXL is wonderful for math and reading. Razkids is also wonderful for reading! When you are going on long drives, give your child different math problems! They will enjoy it! Next week I will also send home passwords for IXL, Superkids, and Razkids for the summer! Enjoy!

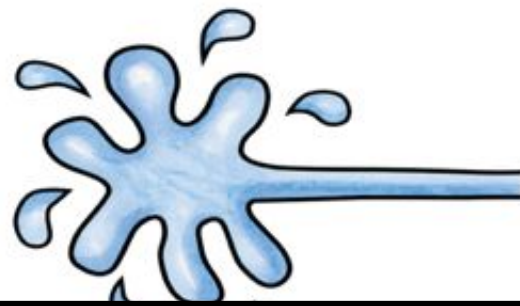
Fun Day T-shirts

Our wonderful PTO has purchased t-shirts for all of our students for Fun Day, which is Tuesday, June 4th. The students do not need to wear uniforms on that day. They can wear shorts and a t-shirt. **I will keep the Fun Day t-shirts at school and bring them to St. Mary's on Tuesday so that your child will be able to change into them after breakfast.** Lunch will also be provided by the PTO. The students will play games and have an enjoyable day. Wednesday will be our last day of school. We will have Mass at 9am and The Awards Ceremony will begin at 9:50, in the gym. Dismissal will be after the awards. I look forward to seeing you there! I am really going to miss my fabulous firsties! Have a wonderful summer and thank you for a wonderful year!!! God Bless You!



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The Week of May 27th

Important Dates

Monday: No School!
Tuesday: Gym
Wednesday: Library
Thursday: Pizza Lunch with Mr. and Mrs. McKnight and Mrs. Hole.
Friday - NO spelling test and Kdgn. and 8th grade graduation Mass at 1 pm

Summer Reading Program

The Flat River Library will have a summer reading program that will help encourage your child to read throughout the summer. This is a wonderful program and the students always enjoy it! I strongly encourage your child to participate in it! We will be getting more information soon.

Final Weeks of School!

On Thursday, May 30th, Mr. and Mrs. Mcknight and Mrs. Hole will provide an end of the year lunch for the students. They will have pizza, drinks, and a dessert. Students will not need a lunch that day and we will enjoy the morning playing reading and math games. Tuesday, June 4th, will be FUN DAY! The students do not need to wear uniforms on that day. They can wear shorts and a t-shirt. Lunch will also be provided by the PTO. The students will play games and have an enjoyable day. at St. Mary's Church! June 5th will be our last day of school and dismissal will be after the Awards Ceremony, which will be held in the gym. I look forward to seeing you there! I am really going to miss my fabulous firsties! Have a wonderful summer and thank you for an amazing year! God Bless You!

Summer Skills!

Please encourage your child to read and practice math facts throughout the summer. It is amazing how much students can lose if they do not read and practice math skills daily. PLEASE, I strongly encourage you to set aside at least 30 minutes each day to practice math facts and read daily. It will make a difference. Make it fun! Read with a flashlight, under a tree, in a tent, or call grandparents and special friends and read to them! A special writing journal with fun pens will help encourage writing too! Create books or write letters to friends! When you are going on long drives, give your child different math problems! IXL is wonderful for math and reading. Razkids is also fabulous for reading! I will send home your child's passwords for Razkids and IXL next week. Enjoy!

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The Week of May 19, 2024

It was so nice to see everyone for Muffins with Mom this week. Thank you to the PTO for all of your hard work! If you have any question, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

Monday - Music and Spanish
Tuesday - Gym
Wednesday - Library and Adoration
Thursday - Music and Gym
Friday - Last Spelling Test and half day of school

Spelling Test

Next week will be our last spelling test of the year. We will also begin our end of the year testing next week. I will test the students on prayers, sight words, syllables and so much more! Have a relaxing week and God Bless You!

Spelling Words

moon spoon room broom book
took shook good wood stood

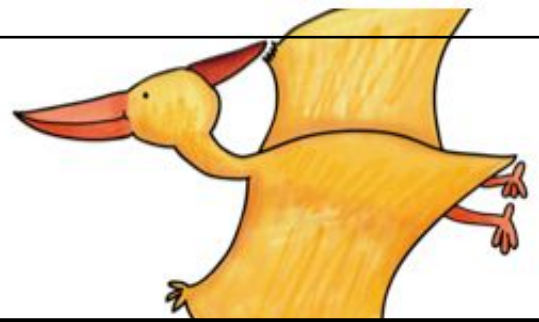
Reminders

- *May 23rd - Future vocations dress up day
- *May 24th - Half day of school - dismiss at 11 am
- *May 27th - Memorial day - No school!
- *May 30th - Jean Day with Anthing but a backpack
- *May 31st - Graduation Mass for Kindergarten and 8th grade
- *June 4th - Field Day at St. Mary's Church - parents drive students to St.Mary's Church
- *June 5th - Awards Ceremony and Last Day of School. Dismissal will be after The Awards Ceremony.



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The Week of May 13, 2024

Only 17 more days of school! This school year has gone by so fast! I have really enjoyed working with this wonderful group of first graders and I am going to really miss them! I hope you have a happy Mother's day and enjoy your special day with your family. Notice, the coupons do not have expiration dates - Have Fun! :) If you have any questions please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

Monday: Music, Spanish, & Charity Day
Tuesday: Gym
Wednesday: Library
Thursday: Music & Gym
Friday: Spelling Test and Art

Reminders

*5-13-24 will be a Charity Day!
*5-14-24 will be Muffins with Moms!
*5-24-24 will be a half day of school!
*5-27-24 -Memorial Day!
Happy Mother's Day!

Spelling Words

low slow snow blow grow
done give once walk warm

What We're Learning This Week

Reading

- *Read and write words with ou and ow.
- *Focused on rhyming words with ou and ow.
- *Focused on the prefix re-.
- *Focused on answering questions in complete sentences.
- *Created poems for our Poetry Book!

Math

- *Focused on equal and unequal shapes
- *Focused on fractions - halves, thirds, and fourths
- *Practiced counting by 2's and counting money

Religion

- *Focused on the rosary
- :Focused on the Holy Spirit.
- *Focused on Mom gifts!

Science/Social studies

- *Focused on the life cycle of a ladybird beetle.
- *Observed life cycle of a butterfly and ladybug.
- *Focused on American symbols

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The Week of May 5, 2024

I hope you enjoy the weekend with your family. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. Enjoy the warmer temperatures and God Bless You!

Important Dates

- Monday:** Music and Charity Day
- Tuesday:** Gym and comfy clothes and popcorn day
- Wednesday:** Library and Adoration
- Thursday:** Music and Gym
- Friday:** Art, Spelling Test, and Mrs. Karpus's Retirement Mass and Celebration!

Retirement

Next week will be an exciting week! We will celebrate Mrs Karpus's retirement with a special Mass and a reception following the Mass. Mrs. Karpus has dedicated 37 years to Saint Charles School and we are so Blessed to have her as our principal. She will be greatly missed, I look forward to seeing you at the Mass or reception. God Bless You!

Spelling Words

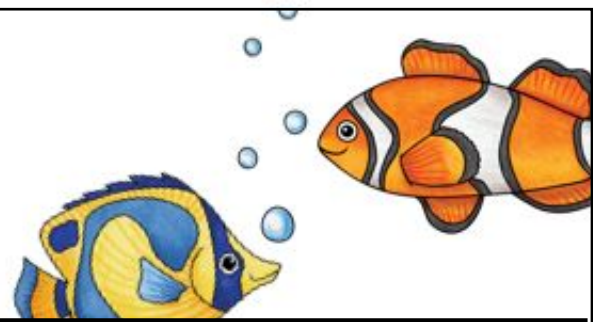
brown clown frown town cloud
proud loud found round sound

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on soft c and g*Focused on character traits*Focused on ABC order*Focused on sight words*poems	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on 2d shapes*Focused on money*Focused on counting by 2's*Reviewed adding and subtracting 2 digit numbers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Focused on Mary's childhood*.Focused on how God chose Mary to be the Mother of Jesus and how she is born without original sin.*Focused on May Crowning.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Discussed insects butterflies and moths.* Focused on the life cycle of a butterfly*Discussed how are beliefs affect our behavior.

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The Week of April 28, 2024

On May 1st, the students will be able to wear shorts or skirts. Please be sure to look at the dress code in your handbook. If you have any questions, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

Monday: Music & Spanish
Tuesday: Gym
Wednesday: Library & Adoration
Thursday: Music & Gym
Friday: Art, Spelling Test, and Mass

Reminders

It is hard to believe that next week is May! The school year is going by so quickly. Please continue to read daily with your child and practice math facts. Car rides, to and from school, are a wonderful way to practice math facts daily. Enjoy the sunny weather and God Bless You!

Spelling Words

face place cage page kind find
right light buy wash

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on reading/writing words with oi and oy.*Focused on problem and solution*Began creating a poetry book. Students created an action poem and a cinquain.*Discussed adjectives and verbs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on adding two-digit numbers with and without regrouping.*Focused on 3d shapes.*Focused on telling time and counting coins.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Discussed how the Holy Spirit teaches us to pray.*Focused on how the Church prays to the Holy Spirit.*Learned how to pray with your 5 fingers* Focused on different ways to pray.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on the brain.*Discussed how we can keep our bodies healthy.*Took a test over the human body.*Identified the number of legs an insect has.**Focused on how our beliefs affect our behavior.*Focused on how we can take care of our earth.

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The Week of April 21, 2024

Just a reminder that summer dress code begins soon. Please look at the student handbook for the dress code requirements. If you have any questions, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.
Have a wonderful weekend with your family!

Important Dates

Monday: Music, Spanish, and Earth Day!
Tuesday: Gym
Wednesday: Library
Thursday: Music and Gym
Friday: Art, Spelling Test, and All School Mass

Earth Day!

Next Monday we will focus on Earth Day by reading stories and discussing ways to take care of our earth. Please encourage your child to do extra things at home to help keep our earth clean. Enjoy the weekend and God Bless You!

Spelling Words

oil boil soil coin join
point joint joy toy boy

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science
Read and wrote words with er, ir, and ur. *Focused on problem and solution and story elements - character, setting, etc.. *Focused on sight words *Created a fiction story using a graphic organizer.	*Reviewed adding and subtracting two-digit numbers without regrouping. *Reviewed adding two-digit numbers with regrouping. *Focused on problem solving with addition and subtraction	*Introduced the Fruits of the Holy Spirit. *Focused on how the Holy Spirit helps us follow Jesus. *Focused on ways we can use the Fruits of the Holy Spirit in our lives. *Friendly: Focused on how we need to think about the words we say before we say it and discussed how gossiping is hurtful.	*Discussed the circulatory system. Focused on our brains. *Discussed power with authority and power without authority. *Focused on ways we can keep earth clean

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The Week of April 14, 2024

The students had another great week! We are working hard on writing sentences with capital letters, complete thoughts, and correct punctuation. Please encourage it at home. If you have any questions, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com

Reminders

Just a reminder that May is approaching quickly. Students will be able to wear shorts and skirts for the rest of the school year, starting May 1st! Please look at our school handbook for the dress code requirements.

Also, please continue to read daily with your child and practice math facts! It will make a big difference! God Bless You!

Important Dates

Monday: Music and Spanish

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Adoration and Spanish

Thursday: Music and Gym

Friday: Spelling Test & Mass

Spelling Words

bird third burn turn
again does cold know
both laugh

Enjoy the beautiful weather!

What We're Learning This Week

Reading

- *Read and wrote words with -ar and -or
- * Reviewed fiction and nonfiction
- *Focused on homophones
- *Focused on problem and solution

Math

- *Focused on adding two-digit numbers to 99.
- *Focused on adding two-digit numbers with regrouping.
- *Focused on counting coins and counting by 2's.

Theology

- *Focused on how we receive God's gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacraments.
- *Focused on how water in Baptism and holy oil in Confirmation are symbols of the Holy Spirit
- *Discussed how the Holy Spirit works in our lives.
- *Focused on Friendly - Gossiping

Science/Social Studies

- *Discussed the digestive system
- *Identified the function and parts of the respiratory system
- *Reviewed how the environment affects our lives.
- *Discussed power with and without authority



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The Week of April 7, 2024

I hope you had a relaxing break! The students are doing a great job adjusting back to school! I am so proud of them! If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. I am praying for you and God Bless You!

Important Dates

- Monday:** Music, Spanish, & Charity Day
- Tuesday:** Gym
- Wednesday:** Library
- Thursday:** Music and Gym
- Friday:** Art, Spelling Test and Mass

Reminders

- *We will have a Charity Day next Monday. Our special day will benefit the Clay Street Center. Please bring in paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, tissues or disinfectant wipes - thank you!
- *Next Monday the students will take home solar eclipse glasses so they can view this special event! - Enjoy!

Spelling Words

far hard star card car
 corn born sport short horn

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Read and wrote words with -aw and -all *Practiced sight words *Focused on cause and effect. *Made a spring craft. *Wrote a descriptive narrative using the senses. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on adding/subtracting tens to 100 with base ten blocks and a hundreds chart. *Practiced adding two-digit numbers with regrouping. *Practiced patterns for 2, 5, and 10. *Counted coins 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Reviewed Holy Week *Focused on how we receive God's gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacraments. *Discussed how water in Baptism and holy oil in Confirmation are symbols of the Holy Spirit. *Identified ways the Holy Spirit works in our lives 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Reviewed bones and joints. *Focused on how our muscles help us move. *Focused on our skin and observed our fingerprints *Discussed some of the traditions that are celebrated around the world.



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The Week of April 2, 2024

I will collect the last Book It Calendar when we return from break! Please continue to read and practice math facts! Razkids and IXL would be fun to do during the break! If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com!

Important Dates

Monday - No School
Tuesday: Gym
Wednesday - Library
Thursday: Music and Gym
Friday - Art, Spelling test and Mass

Enjoy!!!

I hope you have a relaxing spring break and a Blessed Easter! Please be safe and enjoy your families. I will be praying for all of you! God Bless you!

Spelling Words

law saw dawn lawn crawl
come coming they our put

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Read and write words with -all*Focused on syllables.*Focused on writing sentences with more descriptionFocused on sight words	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on adding two - digit numbers using a hundreds chart, and base ten blocks*Focused on problem solving with addition and subtraction	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Stations of the Cross*Made final prayer partner cards!*Focused on how the Holy Spirit helps us make good choices.*Friendzy - Focused on how we need to be ourselves and use the talents God gave us to do the things he created us to do.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Discussed joints*Described ways the physical environment in a place/region affects people's lives.*Focused on power with authority compared to power without authority

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The Week of March 18, 2024

The students enjoyed spending the day roller skating at Rainbow Gardens Roller Rink. Thank you PTO for a fun day! Please continue to read with your child throughout March is Reading month. I will also collect the last Book It form after spring break! Enjoy the weekend and God Bless You!

Important Dates

- Monday:** Music & Stations of the Cross
- Tuesday:** Gym and spring begins!
- Wednesday:** Library, Adoration, & Spanish
- Thursday:** Music and Gym
- Friday:** Spelling Test & Mass

Reminders

Thank you for always reading with your child and helping him/her reach their reading goals. Next week I will be testing your child for report cards. I can't believe how quickly this marking period flew by. Please continue to encourage your child to dress according to the weather, especially on the colder days. Have a Blessed week and God Bless You!

Spelling Words

call mall small stall wall baseball
basketball hallway fallen taller

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Read and wrote words with open & closed syllables *Focused on main idea and supporting details * Wrote a book review. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on adding and subtracting tens. *Focused on using a hundred chart to add and subtract tens *Focused on counting money. *Focused on counting by 2's. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Students made Prayer Partner cards for their special friends. *Focused on Stations of the Cross. *Focused on how God sent the Holy Spirit to help us. *Focused on how we can pray to the Holy Spirit anytime. *Read about St. Dominic and how he put God first in his life and served God in little ways. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Reviewed what is inside of our body - bones, organs, muscles, and blood. *Discussed the skeletal system. *Identified bones in the skeletal system. *Reviewed consumer and producer and goods and services.



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The Week of March 12 2023

Please continue to encourage your child to read for March is Reading Month. 30 minutes of reading and/or listening to a story will earn a paper basketball that could win a prize. Happy Reading! If you have any questions, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

Monday: Music, Stations of the Cross, and Charity Day

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library and Adoration

Thursday: Music and Stations of the Cross

Friday: Spelling Test, Art & Mass

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Reminders

*Just a reminder that March 10th is Daylight savings time! It is always hard to lose that extra hour of sleep and adjust to the change!

*Please continue to read for March is Reading month. Students earn a paper basketball for every 30 minutes they read at school and at home. Students who read the most each week will win a mini basketball and their names will be entered in a drawing for full size basketball.

*We will have a roller skating field trip next Thursday. Please return the permission slip by Monday and students can wear jeans instead of their uniforms. Please provide a snack and a brown bag lunch - please no containers or lunch boxes. I have extra bags if you need one!

*Hope everyone has a happy St Patrick's Day and God Bless You!

Spelling Words

super open paper even silent
now their because always been

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
*Focused on contractions and sight words *Focused on drawing conclusions *Focused on writing an opinion and backing it up with evidence	*Reviewed tens and ones to 99 *Focused on greater than, less than, and equal to. *Focused on counting by 2's and coins.	*Made Prayer Partner Cards *Focused on Stations of the Cross *Watched Holy Heroes and discussed Lent *Focused on different ways to pray. * Focused on how Jesus teaches us through Bible stories.	*Discussed producers and consumers of goods and services. *Reviewed Unit 5 on animals and took test. *Discussed what is inside of our body - bones, organs, blood and muscles.





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The Week of March 3, 2024

Enjoy the three-day weekend with your family. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. Enjoy the weekend and God Bless You!

Important Dates

Monday: Music and Stations of the Cross

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library and Spanish

Thursday: Music and Gym

Friday: Art, Spelling test and All School Mass

March is Reading Month

March is a special month that we celebrate reading. This year our theme is "Slam Dunk a Good Book!" You will find more information about it in our Weekly Warrior. Happy Reading!

*Please return the February Book-It calendars by next Friday. The March Book-It calendar will be in your child's homework folder on Monday.

Spelling Words

I'm I'll he's she's we're
she'll he'll it's you're you'll

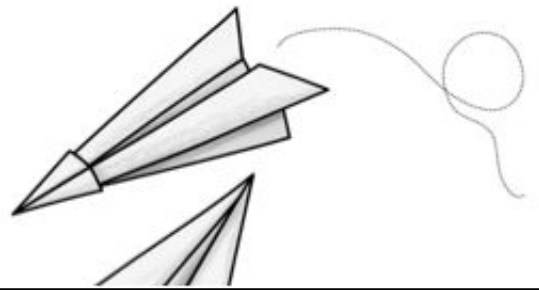
What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on changing y to an i and adding endings *Focused on vowel teams ay and ai. *Focused on cause and effect. *Reviewed labeling an illustration *Focused on writing a how to and illustrating it. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Reviewed tens and ones. *Took Unit 10 test on ones and tens. * Focused on counting money over 100 cents! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Discussed Lent *Made Prayer Partner Cards *Focused on Friendly - How we can stand up for what we believe in and be brave. *Focused on different ways to pray 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on carnivores, herbivores, and omnivores *Focused on migration and hibernation *Focused on power with authority and power without authority



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The Week of February 25, 2024

Next month we will celebrate March is Reading Month. We have some fun things planned for everyone! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. Have a wonderful weekend and God Bless You!

Important Dates

Monday: Music, Spanish, and Charity Day

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library and Adoration

Thursday: Music, Gym, & Spelling Test

Friday: No School! - Professional Development Day!

Reminders

* Please return the February Book - It calendar by next Friday. I will put the March calendar in your child's homework folder, this will be our last one this year.

*Next week Monday, we will have a Charity Day for Interact. Details are in the *Weekly Warrior*

Spelling Words For 2-29-24

may, say, play, happier, happiest, down, too work, many, first

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on y as a vowel.*Focused on ay*Focused on how to write a How to paragraph.*Reviewed contractions*Discussed possessive nouns	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on tens and ones*Focused on creating different ways to show a number using tens and ones.*Reviewed coins and counting coins	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Finished discussing and creating our Ten Commandments mini book.Focused on how we can be brave when we help others and when we try new things.*Made Prayer Partner Cards for our special friends	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Discussed primary resources - Made posters that show how our church and school has changed using primary resources .*Discussed camouflage*Discussed carnivores, herbivores and omnivores



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The Week of February 18, 2024

We had an enjoyable Valentine's Day on Tuesday. The students had fun decorating bags, passing out cards, playing games and just hanging out with one another. Thank you to Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Murray for organizing and making it a fun party for all of us! Thank you to everyone for making it so special! We really appreciated it!

Important Dates

Monday - Midwinter break
Tuesday - Gym
Wednesday - Library
Thursday - Music and Gym
Friday - Spelling test, Art and All School Mass

Reminders

**Enjoy the midwinter break this Friday and Monday!*
**Students will be going outside for recess if the temperature is 10 degrees or above. Please be sure your child has his/her winter gear, just to be safe!*
**Please continue to read and practice math facts daily at home. 15 to 20 minutes each night will make a difference.*
**We will have another Holy Hour next Wednesday. The students enjoy the quiet time and talking to Jesus!*

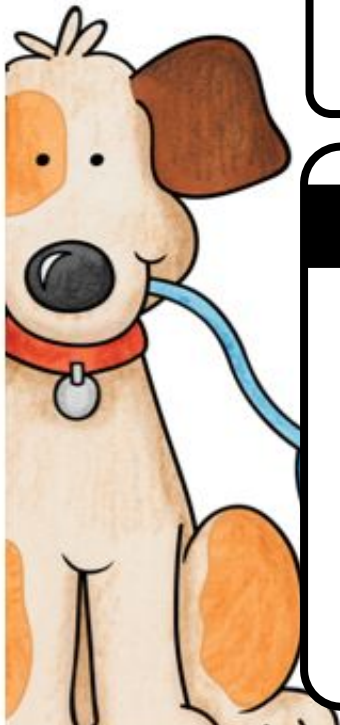
Please continue to read daily!!!

Spelling Words

by fly try cry jelly belly
smelly sunny funny bunny

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on irregular contractions *Focused on fiction and nonfiction **Focused on -er and -est * Focused on sight words *Wrote a personal narrative with beginning, middle and end 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on tens and ones - numbers to 99. *Practiced counting coins *Focused on word problems - addition and subtraction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on sin and forgiveness - finished unit *Discussed the 10 Commandments. *Focused on Lent. *Made an Ash Wednesday Book and discussed what we were going to do to get ourselves ready for Jesus through prayer, fasting and helping others. *Made Prayer Partner Cards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on animals that are camouflaged in science. *Used primary resources to understand how our church has changed over the years.



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The Week of February 11, 2024

The students enjoyed the Swamp Creatures assembly this week - thank you PTO! Next week the students will draw names for Prayer Partners. They will pray and make special cards for them this Lent. I hope you have a wonderful weekend with your family. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

Monday -Music, Spanish, & Charity Day
Tuesday: Gym and Valentine's Day Social
Wednesday - Library and Ash Wednesday
Thursday - Music, Gym and Spelling Test
Friday - Mid-winter break - Enjoy!

Reminders

*I enjoyed meeting with you for parent teacher conferences. I am so Blessed to have such wonderful students and parents - Thank You! :)
*On Tuesday we will exchange Valentine's cards. Please have your child bring valentines for all of his/her first grade friends. It will be a fun day for all!
*We will not have school on 2-16-24 and 2-19-24. It is our mid-winter break. Enjoy the extra long weekend.
*Next week the temperatures will be colder, please have your child dress accordingly.

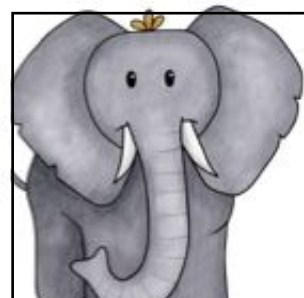
Student of the Week

Lisa Rewa is our special student of the week. She is the oldest in her family and she has two younger sisters and a younger brother. Lisa enjoys the outdoors and likes camping with her family. She also likes gymnastics and playing board games with her family. When she is older she would like to be a veterinarian and a mom. Lisa would also like to learn how to drive a car someday. Lisa is very artistic and loves art class too. She is very creative Her favorite food is macaroni and cheese and her favorite restaurant is Applebee's. Her favorite subject is math and her favorite color is green! Way to go Lisa! We are so proud of you!

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on reading and writing contractions.*Discussed beginning, middle, and end.*Read our first chapter book!*Students began writing a personal narrative with a focus on a beginning, middle and end.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Celebrated our 100th day of school!*Focused on tens and ones.*Took a test on ones and tens.*Reviewed counting coins and counting by, 2's, 5's, and 10's.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Created Valentine cards for Mr. Korson*Reviewed mortal and venial sin.*Focused on The Ten Commandments*Began creating a book of the 10 Commandments.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on land habitats and water habitats for animals.*Discussed primary resources and how are church and school has changed throughout the years.





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The Week of February 4, 2024

Thank you for making CSW so special. It was a fun week for everyone and the students had so much fun.

Thank you for making it such a special week for all of our students. If you have any questions, please contact me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. Have a relaxing weekend and God Bless You!

Important Dates

Monday: Music and Spanish

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library

Thursday: Music and Gym

Friday: Spelling Test, Art and All School Mass

Reminders!

*Our spelling test next week will be contractions. For the spelling test, I will say the two words and the students will write the contraction. Ex. I will say "is not," and the students will write isn't.

*Please return the January Book-It by next Friday. The February Book-It form is in your child's homework folder.

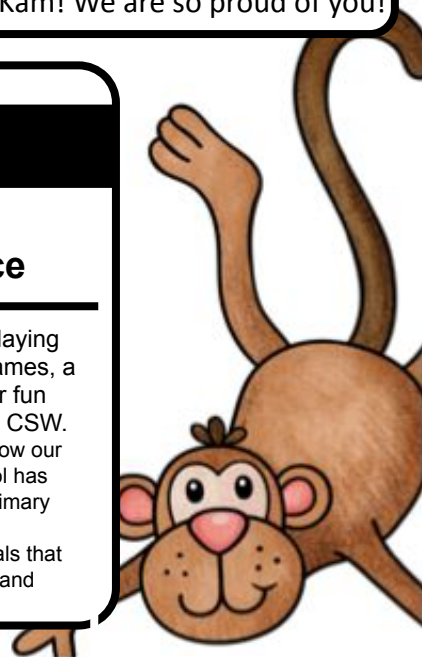
**Thank you for helping to make Catholic Schools Week so special for all of our students. It was a fun week for everyone. I look forward to conferences on 2/6 and 2/12.

Student of the Week

Kamryn Krey is our special student of the week. She is the oldest in her family and she has two younger sisters. Kamryn enjoys spending time with her family. She enjoys going on walks, playing board games, and bike riding. She also likes to watch tv and cuddle with her dog Ginny. When she grows up, she would like to be a fourth grade teacher and own a puppy shop. Someday, Kammy would like to learn how ride a unicycle. Her favorite food is juicy venison and her favorite restaurant is Applebees. Kameron would also like to travel to Hawaii someday. Her favorite subject is science and her favorite color is teal. Way to go Kam! We are so proud of you!

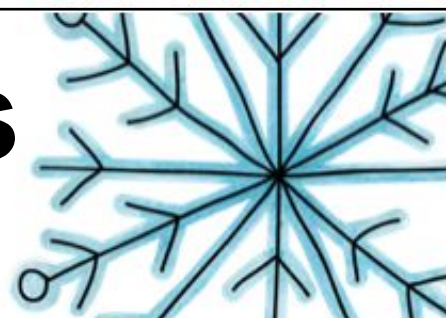
What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Focused on main idea *Enjoyed acting out a play *Read and wrote words with vowel teams *Participated in a debate -Which is a better a pet dog or cat? *Discussed homophones 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on picture graphs, and tally charts. *Focused on counting by 2's. *Focused on counting up by 10. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Made cards and decorated flowers for The Sisters. *Celebrated CSW *Watched the Cathedral Mass on t.v. *Focused on forgiveness and sin. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * We enjoyed playing Bingo, board games, a movie and other fun activities during CSW. *Learned about how our church and school has changed using primary resources. *Discussed animals that live in water and land habitats.



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The Week of January 28, 2024

I hope you have an enjoyable Catholic Schools Week! If you have any questions, please be sure to contact me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. God Bless YOU!

Important Dates

Monday: Music and Spanish

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library

Thursday: Music and Gym

Friday: Spelling test, Art, and Mass.

(CSW Activities on back)

Reminders

*I look forward to celebrating CSW with you at Mass this Sunday at 11 am. I hope to see you there!

*Please encourage your child to bring snow gear to school daily.

**The new Book-It form will be in your child's folder next week. Please return the January Book It Calendar by next Friday. - Thank you!

*We have so many fun activities next week to celebrate CSW. It will be a fun week for all. Thank you for making it special for all our students.

Student of the Week

Vivian Murray is our special student of the week. She has a twin sister, who likes to make her laugh. Vivian enjoys riding her bike and spending time with her family. She also likes playing games with them and enjoying movie night. Vivian loves going on vacation with her family. Someday she would like to go to Disneyland. When Vivian is older, she would like to be a kindergarten teacher. Her favorite restaurant is McDonalds and her favorite food is a hamburger with fries. Vivian's favorite color is purple and her favorite subjects are reading and art .Way to go Vivian! We are so proud of you!

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on reading and writing words with vowel teams.*Focused on sight words*Discussed homophones*Created an opinion paragraph about if you prefer to play inside or outside.*Focused on proper and common nouns*Focused on writing complete sentences	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Learned about picture graphs, tally charts and bar graphs.*Counted coins using pennies, nickels, dimes, and quarters*Reviewed patterns when counting by 2's and 5's*Focused on tens and ones	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Discussed sin.*Focused on how God wants us to be sorry when we do wrong and that God is always ready to forgive us.Friendzy- Focused on different breathing strategies, discussed how we can stop, pray and walk away, and listen to our bodies to help us respond instead of react.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Discussed soil*Reviewed chapter 4 and took test.* Discussed primary historical resources.* Used primary resources to discuss how downtown Greenville has changed through the years.

Next week we will begin March is Reading Month! This is a special time in our school that we enjoy promoting reading! Our theme this year is "Fly into a Good Book!" Please be sure to have your child fill out the kite tie whenever he/she reads a book to be entered into a drawing. There is also a reading log to be completed whenever your child reads 20 minutes. Please sign and return the log on Monday, March 22nd, so that your child can earn his/her reward! Happy Reading and Enjoy!

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Monday: Music and Spanish,
& Charity Day

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Music

Thursday: Zoo Day

Friday: Spelling Test, Art, and All School Mass

The 1st graders will participate in a program called Protect Yourself and it will begin September 19th and end on October 17th. There are five sessions and Sue Kearney does a wonderful job teaching the students about personal safety. Each week she will send home information about what the students discussed in class. I will put the information in your child's homework folder each week. If you have any questions, please email me! Have a relaxing weekend.

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The Week of January 22nd

Have an enjoyable weekend with your family and stay warm. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. God Bless You!

Reminders

Monday: Music and Gym
Tuesday: Library & Taco Tuesday
Wednesday: Gym
Thursday: Music
Friday: Spelling test, Art and All School Mass

Conferences

Yesterday I sent home your child's conference form in your child's burgundy folder. Please email me or call the school office if the date and time does not work with your schedule. I look forward to meeting with all of you! Thank You! The schedule for Catholic Schools Week is also included in the Weekly Warrior packet. Please be sure to check out all of the fun! Have a wonderful weekend and God Bless You!

Spelling Words

*heat keep tie blue could
would some new one were*

Report Cards

With report cards, just around the corner, I thought I would review the grading scale for first grade. Some of the standards that are graded, we have only learned part of that standard. Students can not be proficient until we have learned the "entire" standard.

The students are doing a great job! Here is the grading scale:

PROFICIENT (PR) - Student demonstrates complete understanding of the task every time without assistance.

Developing (DV) - Student has just been introduced to the concept or he/she is able to complete the task most of the time, but may need assistance or he/she may not be completely accurate.

NOT YET (NY) - Student is not able to complete the task yet.



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The Week of January 14, 2024

Have a great three day weekend! If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

Monday: No School - MLK
Tuesday: Gym
Wednesday: Library
Thursday: Music and Gym
Friday: Spelling Test, Art and Mass

Reminders

- * Next Monday we will not have school because of Martin Luther King Day.
- *Remember to read daily and practice math facts throughout the week!
- Please remind your child to bring winter gear for recess.
- *Next week will be the end of the 2nd marking period. I will be testing the students on different skills throughout the week.

Spelling Words

boat coat float load road
mail nail tail rain train

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on reading/writing words with Super E*Focused on adding-ing, -ed to Super E words*Focused on parts of a letter and wrote letters to the 2nd graders.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Reviewed word problems with addition and subtraction.*Discussed picture graphs*Focused on coins*Focused on skipping counting by 2's, and 5's.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on how we treat others.* Focused on The Eucharistic Prayer and reviewed the Last Supper*Discussed the Tabernacle and a pix.*Discussed St. Katherine Drexel*Focused on responding instead of reacting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on how water changes state.*Focused on how we people use water.*Focused on soil and took test on unit 4



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Happy New Year!!! The students did a great job adjusting back to school! We are off to a great start! God Bless You!!

Week of 01-07-24

- Monday:** Music, Spanish, & Charity Day
- Tuesday:** Gym
- Wednesday:** Library
- Thursday:** Music and Gym
- Friday:** Art, Spelling Test & All School Mass

Reminders

- * Next Monday, we will have a Charity Day, money will be given to our Saturday Community Meals at STC. Volunteers provide take out meals to people in our community who are in need.
- * Please continue to read and practice math facts with your child daily!
- * No school on 1-15-24 - MLK Day!

Spelling Words

smiled smiling baked baking
oh day any want good very

**Charity Day on
01.08.24**

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Read and wrote words focusing on Magic E *Focused on long/short vowels and syllables *Focused on parts of a letter *Wrote a friendly letter to a classmate. *Focused on adding s and es to words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on word problems. *Reviewed strategies for finding an unknown addend or sum. *Practiced coin identification and tally marks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on Epiphany *Discussed the Last Supper *Focused on the Eucharist 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Discussed why we have shadows *Discussed why we have day and night. <p>Friendlyzy - focused on how we need to respond instead of react in different situations. We also discussed how our body feels when we get angry and different strategies to help us feel better.</p>





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It is hard to believe that we only have a week and two days left of school before Christmas break! If you need any last minute gifts, dry erase markers and regular markers are always helpful! God Bless You and enjoy the weekend with your family.

Important Dates

Monday - Music, Spanish, and Charity Day

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library and School Holy Hour

Thursday: Music, Gym, and Christmas Socials in the afternoon. Students may wear Christmas attire.

Friday: Spelling Test and Mass at 1pm

Reminders

- * School Holy Hour from 9:45 to 10:45 on 12-13
- * Classroom Socials and students may wear Christmas attire - 12-14
- *Las Posadas - 12-17
- *Sing-a-Long at 1:15pm in the gym on 12-18. I look forward to seeing you there!
- *Last Day of school before Christmas - 12-19

Spelling Words

ride, game, side, same, said,
only, you, out, of, here

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Religion	Science and Social Studies
*Focused on reading/writing closed syllables words *Focused on character traits *Wrote letters to Santa	* Reviewed related facts. * Focused on word problems with addition and subtraction *Focused on money	*Focused on Immaculate Conception. *Focused on Advent and Christmas *Made cards	*Focused on the importance of respecting all people. * Read a story about culture. *Focused on the age of a tree and took a test on trees.



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It is hard to believe that we only have 24 more days until Christmas! Time is going by so fast! Enjoy the weekend with your family and God Bless You!

Important Dates

Monday: Music and Spanish

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library

Thursday: Music and Gym

Friday: Spelling test and
Mass - 1pm

Reminders

*Please have your child return the November Book-It Calendar anytime next week. I will put the December Calendar in your child's homework folder.

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Spelling Words

go

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be

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she

me

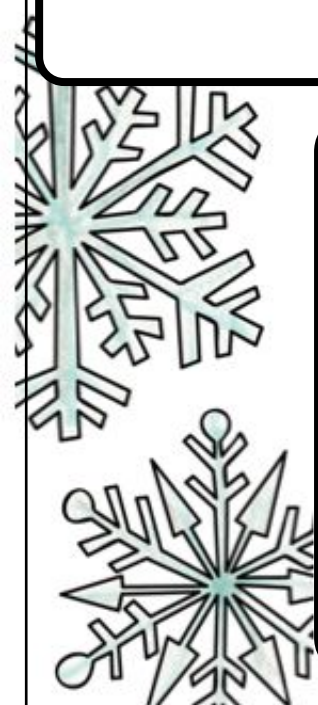
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What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science and social studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on reading and writing words with -er, -ing, -ed*Focused on the doubling rule* Discussed cause and effect* Concentrated on character traits* Discussed the parts of a letter and how to write a letter	<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Focused on word problems with addition and subtraction.*Learned how to check subtraction by adding.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on Advent.*Drew pictures of Mary and Baby Jesus* Made birthday cards for Father Jim*Completed the chapter Review on loving God and loving others.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on ways we can be a good friend.*Discussed what it means to be a good friend.



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We will not have a newsletter next week because of the short week. Have a happy and relaxing Thanksgiving and enjoy the long weekend with your family! Be safe and God Bless You!

Week of 11-20-22

Monday: Music and Spanish

Tuesday: Gym and Library

Wednesday: No School

Thursday: Happy
Thanksgiving!

Friday: No School!

Reminders

* We will not have a spelling test next week or homework because of the shortened week.

*Please return your child's November Book-It form by the end of the month to earn a pan pizza!

*I included a copy of your child's spelling words for the week after Thanksgiving.

Student of the Week

Piper Russell is our special student of the week. She is the youngest in her family and she has an older brother in sixth grade and an older sister in fourth grade. Piper enjoys camping with her family and going to the dunes. When she is older, she would like to be a first grade teacher! She enjoys drawing and coloring and she is very artistic and creative. Someday Piper would like to learn how to drive a quad on the dunes and she would like to travel to Texas. Her favorite food is pizza and her favorite restaurant is Pizza Hut. Piper also enjoys ice cream cake, math, and swimming. Way to go Piper! We are so proud of you!

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on doubling rule* Focused on adding -ed and -ing to base words.*Focused on writing a paragraph with transitional words.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on related facts*Focused on problem solving with +/-.* Reviewed patterns for counting by 2, 5, 10.*Reviewed coins and focused on counting coins	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Made Thanksgiving cards for our special friends and seminarians.*Focused on thanking God for everything he has given us and focused on having faith in God. He knows us better than we know ourselves.*Friendlyz - Focused on how God made us all different and how it is important how we handle problems in our lives. We always have a choice!	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on the stages of a tree.*Counted rings on a tree to figure out how old it is and observed the lines to understand the weather.*Discussed culture.



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I hope you have a wonderful weekend with your family. Stay healthy and God Bless You!
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Week of 11-12-23

- Monday:** Music, Spanish, and Charity Day
- Tuesday:** Gym
- Wednesday:** Library
- Thursday:** Music and Gym
- Friday:** Spelling Test, Art, and All School Mass

Reminders

- *Thanksgiving Luncheon - 11-16-23. I hope to see you there.
- *STC Craft Show - 11-18-23 from 9 am to 2 pm.
- *Picture retakes - 11-21-23
- *Thanksgiving break-11-22 thru 11-24

Student of the Week

Gabby Morris is our special student of the week. She is the youngest in her family and has an older sister in fifth grade. Gabby enjoys spending time with her family, especially having a movie night and enjoying popcorn together. She likes playing with her Barbies and reading books. When she is older, she would like to be a veterinarian because she loves animals. She also wants to learn how to do a front flip in gymnastics. Gabby's favorite restaurant is Flo's and her favorite food is pizza puffs. Someday, Gabby would like to travel to Pensacola, Florida with her family and relax on the beach with the baby jellyfish and swim. Her favorite subject is math and her favorite colors are pink, purple and blue. Way to go Gabby! We are so proud of you!

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Science/Social Studies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on reading & writing -ed and -ing words *Focused on writing complete sentences. *Reviewed nouns and verbs *Discussed Thanksgiving and created at Giving Thanks turkey. * Reviewed using transitional words and syllables. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Focused on related facts *Focused on problem solving with + and - *Reviewed counting by 5 and 10. *Focused on coins *Took math test on related facts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on how God made us to be good and holy. *Focused on ways we can show our love to God and others. * Discussed Veteran's Day and prayed for our them. *Focused on how God knows us better than we know ourselves - - Friendly. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Focused on seeds from an apple tree and seeds from a conifer. *Focused on how trees are used *Discussed culture and focused on music, food, religion, clothing, language, and traditions.



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With our crazy Michigan weather, please have your child dress accordingly for recess! Thank you to Mrs. Nelson and Mrs. Morris for an amazing Halloween party. The students had so much fun. We are so Blessed. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com. Enjoy the weekend and God Bless You!

Week of 11-5-23

Monday: Music and Spanish

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library

Thursday: Music and Gym

Friday: Spelling test and All School Mass

Saturday: Veteran's Day!

Spelling Words

jumped bumped

yelled smelled

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What We're Learning

This week in ELA, we focused on writing and words with -ing and -ed. We also reviewed syllables and wrote about our Halloween pumpkins using transitional words - First, Next, Then, and Finally. In math, we continued our focus on related facts. The students also learned how to find the missing addend in an addition problem. We practiced coins, counting by 2 and 5, and reading and writing numbers over 100. In Theology, we learned about St. Charles Borromeo and All Saints Day. We discussed how saints love and serve God and how they put God first in their lives. We also discussed how we need to love and serve God. Finally, we celebrated Halloween and the students had an amazing time. Enjoy the three day weekend!

Supporting Your Child at Home

Please continue to practice math facts and read daily. Twenty minutes of reading every night will make a big difference. I will put the November Book-It calendar in your child's homework folder next week.

Have a Blessed weekend and enjoy the warmer temperatures! Remember to adjust your clocks on November 5th!





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I hope you have a wonderful weekend with your family. I am praying for all of you. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.
God Bless You!

Week of 10-29-2023

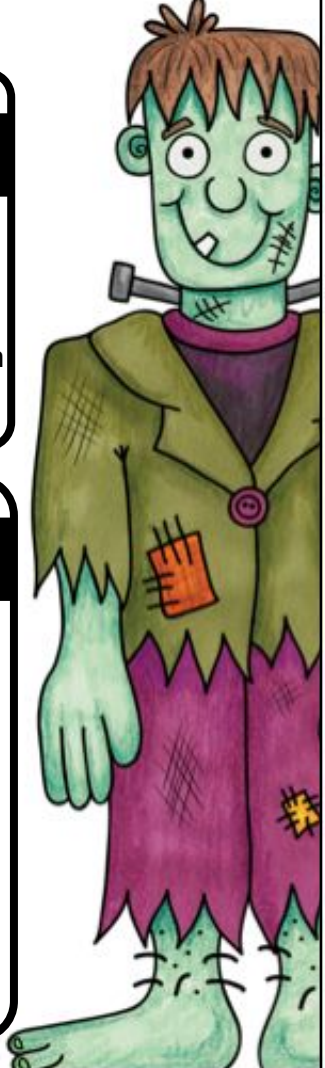
Monday: Music and Spanish
Tuesday: Gym & Halloween - dress in orange and black
Wednesday: Library and All Saints Day - Mass at 9am.
Thursday: Spelling Test, Music, and Gym
Friday: No School - PD Day

Reminders

*10/30 - Crazy socks with uniform when you donate a pair of socks.
 *10/31 - Orange and black day to celebrate Halloween
 11/1 - All Saints Day Mass
 11/3 - No school - PD Day

Student of the Week

Crimson Kraft is our special student of the week. She is the youngest in her family and has three older sisters. Crimson enjoys going to her Mom's work and making crafts. When she is older, she would like to be a first grade teacher and she would like to learn how to ride a bike without training wheels. Crimson's favorite food is watermelon and her favorite restaurant is Waffle House. Someday, Crimson would like to travel to Florida with her family and visit Disneyland. Her favorite colors are purple pink and gold and her favorite subjects are math and art. Way to go Crimson! We are so proud of you!

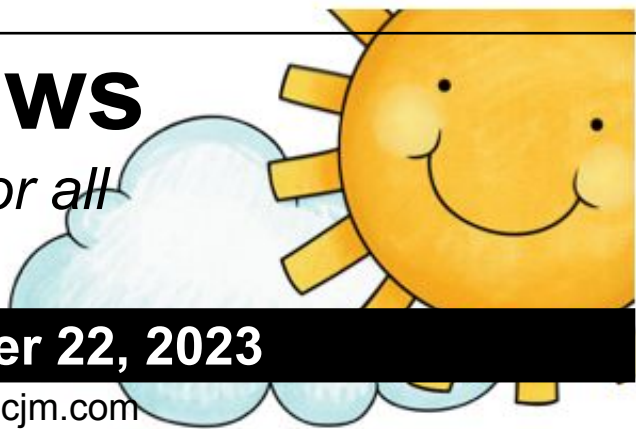


What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Social Studies
* Read and wrote words with le and ng. *Focused on rhyming words, and syllables *Discussed stories that are fiction and nonfiction *Fact and opinion *Wrote an opinion paragraph on our favorite season.	*Focused on adding to subtract. Focused on related facts. *Discussed the hour and minute hand on a clock and discussed o'clock. Focused on counting coins and counting by 2's.	*Focused on Baptism. Discussed how Baptism is the first sacrament we make. Discussed how we become members of the church and how it washes away sin. *Discussed original sin. *Focused on how we need to love at all times. We focused on how sometimes our feelings make it difficult for us to love others.	* Discussed ways the physical environment affects people's lives. *Discussed evergreen and deciduous trees and focused on how a tree changes throughout the seasons.

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The Week of October 22, 2023

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Have a Blessed week and stay warm!

Mrs. Cripps

Important Dates

Monday: Music and Spanish

Tuesday: Gym

Wednesday: Library

Thursday: Music, Gym & Trunk
or Treat - 5:30 to 7:00

Friday: Spelling test, Art, and All
School Mass

Reminders

- * End of the marking period is 10-27-23
- * Students will celebrate Halloween with a Halloween Social on 10-31-23
- * All Saints Day Mass is on 11-1 at 9 am
- * No school on 11/3 - PD Day
- * Daylight Saving time begins on 11-5 - Fall back an hour!

Student of the Week

Sullivan Nelson is our special student of the week. His favorite restaurants are McDonalds and Taco Bell and his favorite food is spaghetti. When Sully is older he would like to be an astronaut. He is also interested in robotics and would like to learn how to build a robot. Sully enjoys playing soccer and spending time with his family. He would also like to travel to Florida and visit Disneyland and enjoy the beach. His favorite animal is a wolf and his favorite subjects are science and gym. Way to go Sully! We are so proud of you!

Report Card Information

I wanted to explain our first grade report card. Many of the standards that will be graded, we have only learned part of that standard at this point in the year. Students can't be proficient until they have learned and assessed the "entire" standard. When you look at your child's report card, you will see developing in many areas. The students are doing a great job, but we have not completed the entire standard in the first marking period. This is our grading scale:

PROFICIENT (PR) - Demonstrates complete understanding of the task every time and without assistance.

DEVELOPING (DV) - Student has just been introduced to the concept or he/she is able to complete the task most of the time, but may need assistance or may not be completely accurate.

NOT YET (NY) - Student is not able to complete the task yet.

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The Week of October 15th

Please continue to read daily and practice math facts. If you have any questions or concerns, please email me at: scripps@saintscjm.com.

Important Dates

Monday - Charity Day, Music & Spanish

Tuesday - Gym

Wednesday - Library

Thursday - Music & Gym

Friday - Art, spelling test, and All School Mass

Reminders

10 -16: Interact Charity Day

10-18: Picture Day

10-26: Trunk or Treat - 5:30 to 7:00

10-27: End of the 1st marking period

10-31 - Happy Halloween

Student of the Week

Gwen Angers is our student of the week. She is the youngest in her family and she has an older brother in 3rd grade. Gwen enjoys spending time with her family and McDonalds is here favorite restaurant. Her favorite foods are pancakes and mac and cheese. When she is older, she would like to be a first grade teacher! She would also like to learn how to ride a bike without training wheels. Someday, she would like to go to Florida with her family and visit Disneyland. Gwen's favorite color is pink and her favorite subjects are math and science.. Way to go, Gwen! We are so proud of you!

What We're Learning This Week

Reading	Math	Theology	Social Studies/ Science
<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on th, sh, wh and ch.*Focused on sorting words*Focused on informational writing. We began writing about the saints.*Focused on writing answers about a text.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on adding numbers in any order* Focused on adding 3 numbers.*Practiced counting by 5 and 10.*Practiced counting coins, and telling time to the hour.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on the world before sin - a perfect paradise*Focused on how God created everything and how we need to be stewards of creation.*Friendly: We focused on how we can do anything if we try. Our mindset makes a difference.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">*Focused on what plants need to survive.Focused on the parts of a plant.Focused on human and physical characteristics.



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The Week of October 8, 2023

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Have an enjoyable weekend with your family! God Bless You!

Important Dates

Monday: Music, Spanish, Charity Day and conferences

Tuesday: Gym, and Protect Yourself Program

Wednesday: Library & Field trip to the Children's Museum

Thursday: Music and Gym

Friday: Spelling Test, Art, and Mass

Reminders

**I enjoyed meeting with some of you for parent teacher conferences this week and I am excited to meet with everyone else next week. I am so Blessed to have such wonderful students and parents - Thank You!*

**Next Monday will be our next charity day! We will be collecting baby wipes and diapers. It will benefit Alpha Family Center and Walking With Moms in Need.*

**October 11th - Donuts with Dad and field trip*

FIELD TRIP

Our class field trip will be next Wednesday, October 11. The bus will depart STC around 8:45 and we should be at the museum by 9:30. We will eat our lunches in the classroom when we return to the school, which will be around 12:15. Please, be sure your child eats a good breakfast that morning because lunch will be later. Also, students need to wear their uniforms and chaperones will need to drive to the museum - thank you!

Spelling Words

bath moth this that
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What We're Learning This Week

ELA	Math	Religion	Science/Social Studies
<p>*focused on asking questions about the story</p> <p>* Focused on the wh sound and reviewed ch and sh.</p> <p>Focused on the 5 W's and how to write a question.</p> <p>* Focused on writing answers to a question.</p> <p>*Created a story about a pumpkin</p>	<p>*Focused on subtraction strategies</p> <p>*Focused on addition and subtraction word problems</p> <p>*Learning to identify coins and value</p> <p>*Focused on patterns with 5 and 10.</p>	<p>*Focused on how God gave each of us special talents so that we are able to do what he has called us to do with our lives.</p> <p>*Discussed how listening to the Word of God can help us follow Jesus. Students drew a picture of themselves following Jesus.</p> <p>*Discussed Adoration and went to Adoration.</p>	<p>*Finished science unit on the Life Stages of a Person and habitats.</p> <p>*Focused on the parts of a plant.</p> <p>*Reviewed physical and human characteristics.</p>



Grade 1 News

The Week of April 17, 2022

Reminders

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Important Dates

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Our Month of Learning

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Began reading a book that Focuses on some of the important parts of the sanctuary

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The Week of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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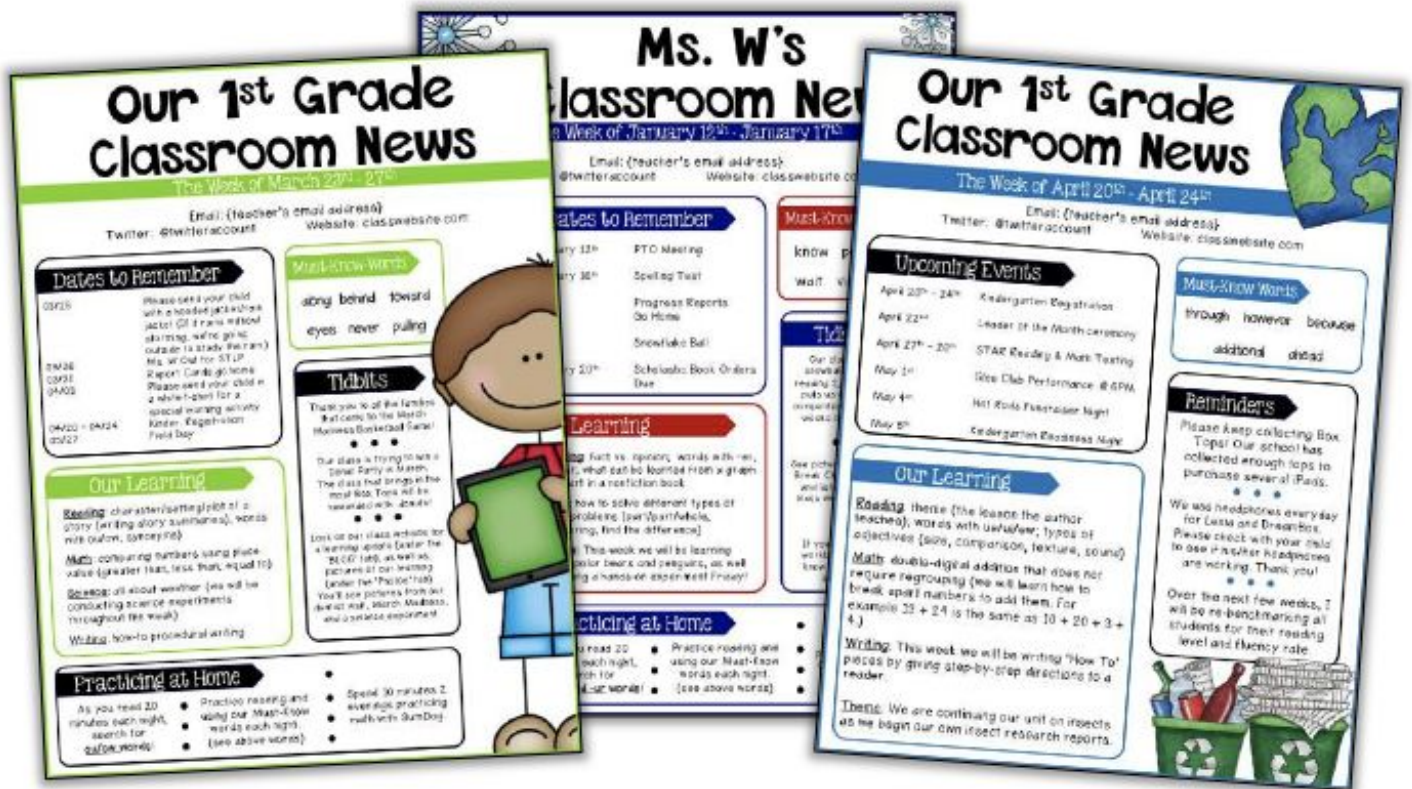
Our Month of Learning

Please encourage your child to read and practice math facts throughout the summer. It is amazing how much students can lose if they do not read and practice math skills daily. PLEASE, I strongly encourage you to set aside at least 30 minutes each day to practice math facts and read daily. It will make a difference. Make it fun! Read with a flashlight, under a tree, in a tent, or call grandparents and special friends and read to them! A special writing journal with fun pens will help encourage writing too! Create books or write letters to friends! IXL is wonderful for math and reading. Razkids is also wonderful for reading! When you are going on long drives, give your child different math problems! I will email you a Superkids Summer Fun Packet for practicing reading and phonics skills too. They will enjoy it! and it will make a difference!

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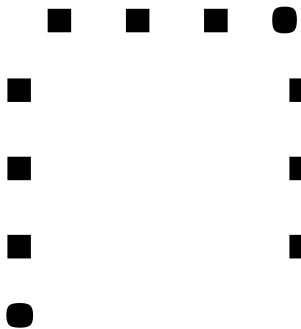
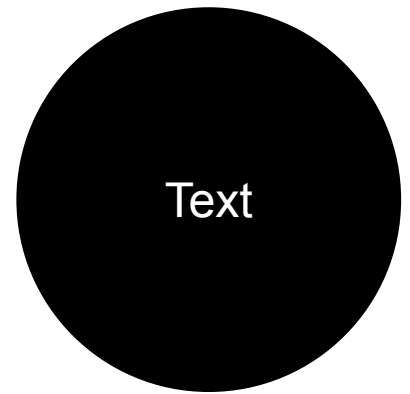
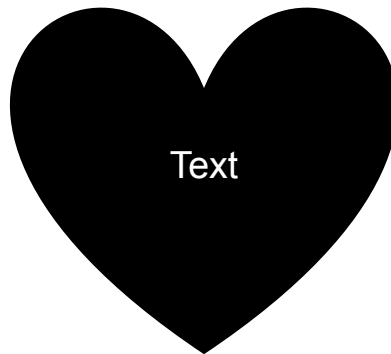
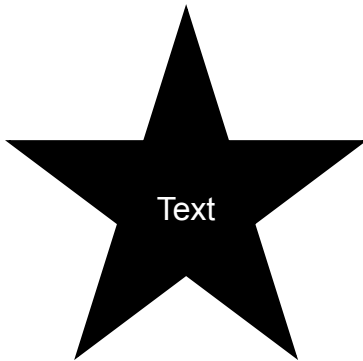
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Reminders

Text Next week Thursday, we will celebrate the end of the year with our virtual friends, Paula Hole and Brian and Linda McKnight. The students have enjoyed reading virtually with them all year. We will walk to the Flat River Library and have pizza and dessert in the wooded area and then play a few games! It will be a fun afternoon for everyone! :)

Important Dates

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Our Month of Learning

The last week of school will be a fun week! We will not have school on Monday because of Memorial Day. Tuesday, June 1st, will be FUN DAY! The students do not need to wear uniforms on that day. They can wear shorts and a t-shirt. Lunch will also be provided by the PTO. The students will have pizza, which will be free for all students. The students will play games and have an enjoyable day.

Wednesday, June 2nd, will be our clean day. Students will be cleaning the classroom, desks, chairs etc. Please have your child wear comfortable clothing. On Thursday, June 3rd, the students will need to wear their uniforms. This will be our last day of school and dismissal will be at 11:00. Students will also receive special awards on that day, which you will be able to watch at home with your family! I am really going to miss my fabulous firsties!

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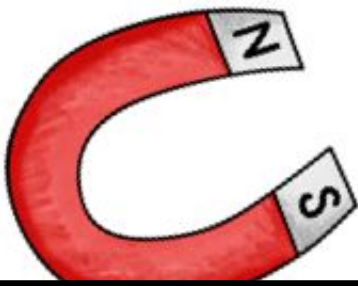
*Focused on answering questions in complete sentences.

*Created an end of the year writing project.

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C-19! I am so thankful that we were able to be in school all year! Thank you for all of your support and help! It is always so rewarding to see how the students progress throughout the year, especially in reading, writing and math! They are all working independently and are ready to move on to second grade. I will really miss them, but they will enjoy Mrs. Kemp next year! Thank you again for everything! God is so Good! God Bless You!



Our __ Grade Classroom News

The Week of xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

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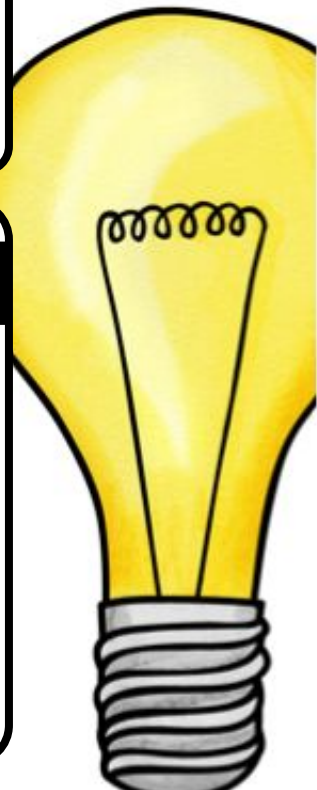
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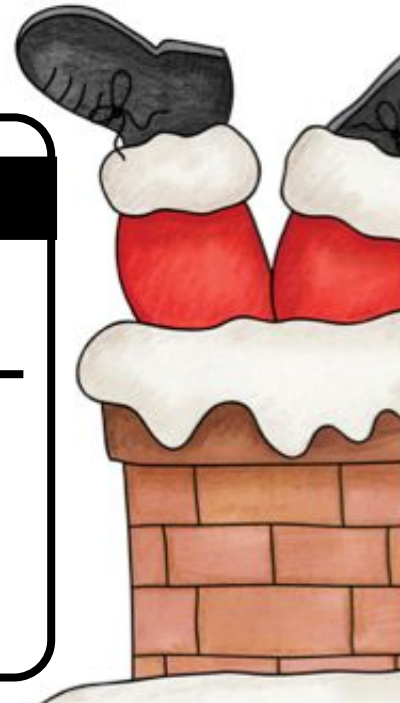
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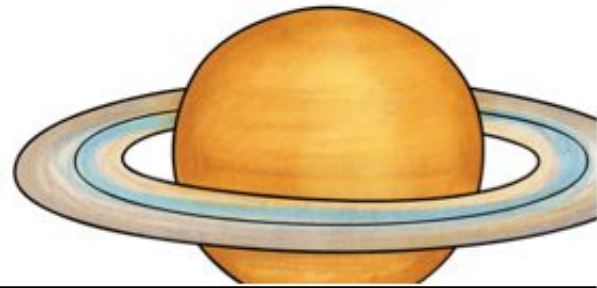
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