

St. Charles Catholic School

Kindergarten News

January 11, 2019

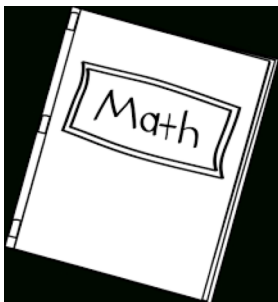


Dear Parents,
Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed the extra time with children and families! It was great to see the students again on Monday! Students came back to school eager and ready to work! I have seen huge changes this week in terms of academics and independence! We had student-led centers for reading, writing and spelling this week and students did a great job of rotating to each assignment and staying on task.

I am sending home additional copies of student sight word lists. Please have your child practice these words as part of their daily homework routine. Leaving the list in your child's folder each day is a great reminder for him/her to practice each day. Thank you!

We worked very hard this week learning words that end with -an. Students have been writing them in sand, on whiteboards, using them in sentences and reading them in stories. Our schedule is always flexible, but **GENERALLY** students will write their new words on Friday or Monday and study them throughout the week for a test on Friday. I will also send home spelling words on the weekly newsletter. Please let me know if you think your child needs more/less of a challenge in terms of difficulty or number of weekly words, so that I can meet your child's needs. Thank you!





In math this week we focused on the number 10, counting groups of items to 10, showing numbers on a ten frame, and correct formation of numbers 2-10. We are working on correcting our number reversals in daily work. Next week we will learn about comparing numbers using the greater than, less than and equal signs.

Students were also tested on 4 different types of patterns this week and did a fantastic job of creating difficult patterns!



Timed Math Drills!

Students took their 1st timed drill on addition facts this week and did an AMAZING job!! They were given 5 minutes to complete 36 of the +0 math facts as possible. Our classroom goal is to complete 4-5 drills a week, improving our scores/time daily. Students are not competing against one another and are only trying to better their recall of math facts. We will work through the addition facts first and then move to subtraction facts. The +0 facts seemed quite easy for the students, but the drills will become increasingly harder. Please continue to practice basic addition facts with your child, when possible. Thank you!



Happy Birthday Gabe!

Gabe celebrated his birthday on January 7. Thank you for the cookies and cider!

Virtue of the Week

Orderliness

We have been working on this A LOT in class! We are working on cleaning up after ourselves AND cleaning up things that might not belong to us- because it is the right thing to do.



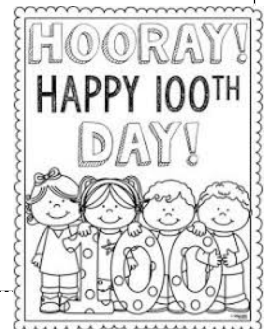
Thank you to Father Bauer for visiting our classroom to discuss The Golden Rule and Mass responses and prayers! We learned about The Epiphany this week and we are practicing the Hail Mary. Catholic Schools Week is coming up at the end of January and there will be several events during the week for students and families to participate in!



100th Day of School!

It looks like we will be celebrating our 100th day of school during Catholic Schools Week this year! Please help us celebrate our "100" themed day by sending in a "100 snack" such as 100 pretzels, 100 cheerios, 100 gummy bears, etc. We will mix each student's snack into a large bowl to be shared by all! Also, I am asking students to bring in a 100th day collection. Please have your child arrange 100 items into a collage/poster or in another creative way to display at school.

IDEAS- 100 stickers in 10 rows of 10, 100 goldfish crackers in a jar, 100 pennies, 100 buttons, 100 legos, etc.



Parents, please return your conference slip (attached to Weekly Warrior) as soon as possible. Teachers schedule conferences together to make it as convenient as possible for you, but it is difficult if we are missing forms. Please let me know if neither date works for you. I am happy to schedule a conference on an alternate date.

Have a great weekend!

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Spelling Words

(for week of January 14-18)

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