

## KINDERGARTEN NEWS!



**MARCH 5, 2010**

WHAT AN AMAZING WEEK! HERE ARE A FEW OF THE VERY EXCITING THINGS WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING...

**RELIGION:** In religion this week, we...

- Discussed that we belong to the Catholic Church
- Celebrated that our Baptism makes us special friends of Jesus and members of the Church, sang "God's Church is Made of People," and drew Baptism pictures
- Began Chapter 16, "We Thank God at Mass," and identified that Jesus is present with us at Mass
- Described Sunday as the day the Church gathers for Mass

\*\*From Sunday's gospel lesson, we learned about the Bible story in which Jesus tells a story about a fig tree, and heard how the tree is given a second chance. We discussed God's forgiveness, kindness and mercy, and that during Lent we celebrate forgiveness.\*\*

**MATH:** In math this week, we...

- Learned all about triangles
- Learned about solid figures including spheres, cubes, cones, and cylinders
- Compared and contrasted the different solid figures
- Learned about the flat surfaces of solid figures
- Practiced matching different shapes to other shapes and to real-life objects

**LANGUAGE ARTS:** In language arts this week, we...

- Heard the story If You Could Go to Antarctica, and sang the songs "It's a Continent" and "The Red Sleds"
- Learned about the words *Antarctica, continent, icebergs, penguins, seals, and whales*
- Discussed what it would be like to take an adventure to the Antarctic
- Continued working on our high-frequency word recognition along with beginning, middle, and ending sounds by identifying them in the stories *Ten, Ten, Ten!, Red Hen, The Red Sleds, and The Best Smell*
- Practiced blending the sounds in words
- Learned about letter Ee and words that have the initial and medial short /e/ sound
- Practiced writing letter e, the number words *one* through *five*, and the high-frequency words *go, here, and from*
- Reviewed the letter Gg
- Worked more on the sentence concept of *statements*

**SCIENCE:** This week in science, we...

- Discussed and participated in a Smart Board activity about where water can be found on Earth
- Took part in a hands-on activity using soil and water to show how rivers, lakes, and oceans gather water

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** This week in social studies, we...

- Finished our lesson on holidays

**Notes from your teachers:**

- Please continue to have your child practice the words they have learned up to now: *I, am, the, little, to, a, have, is, see, at, we, my, like, are, look, he, for, in, it, she, and, play, with, me, can, an, today, of, you, they, that, do, one, two, three, four, five, here, go, from, on, so,* and *up*, and please add the words *no* and *said*. Thank you!
- **Just a reminder:** Friday, March 12 and Monday, March 15 are student holidays and there is no school.

**A Special Note from Miss O'Rourke and Miss Sullivan:**

*Dear Kindergarten,*

*Thank you so much for the lovely gifts and celebration for our "half-birthdays!" We were certainly not expecting anything, so it was a great surprise! We cannot wait to use our new wallets to go shopping with the gift cards to Banana Republic. You are all so thoughtful, thanks again!*

*Love,*

*~Miss O'Rourke and Miss Sullivan*



*Have a fabulous weekend!*

*Sincerely,*

*~Miss O'Rourke and Miss Sullivan*