

KINDERGARTEN NEWS!



MARCH 11, 2010

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

RELIGION: In religion this week, we...

- Reviewed that Sunday is the day people gather for Mass
- Discussed the ways we take part in Mass
- Described how we thank God for his love at Mass

From Sunday's gospel lesson, we learned more about the Bible story of the "loving father" whose younger son leaves and squanders half of his father's estate. When the son returns he feels sorry for what he has done, his father forgives him and welcomes him back with open arms.

MATH: In math this week, we...

- Continued matching shapes to other shapes and to real-life objects
- Finished reviewing the things we learned in Topic 11, and took out Topic 11 test
- Began comparing and ordering objects by size

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

- Heard the story Abuela, and sang the songs "To the City We Will Go" and "Get Set, Ten Pets!"
- Learned about the new words *abuela*, *adventure*, *flock*, *city*, *airport*, and *harbor*
- Discussed the kinds of adventures we can have in the city
- Continued working on our high-frequency word recognition along with beginning, middle, and ending sounds by identifying them in the stories *Ted and the Pet*, *A Pet Hen*, *We Get Set*, and *A Big Red Sled*
- Practiced segmenting and blending the sounds in words
- Continued our work with letter Ee and the short /e/ sound
- Practiced writing letter e on the Smart Board, and words with medial e and the high-frequency words *from*, *go*, and *here* on paper
- Reviewed letter Gg and its soft sound /g/

SCIENCE: This week in science, we...

- Watched a short video on the Smart Board about how water can change Earth's surface
- Made predictions based on our experiences, discovered, and described how Earth's surface can be changed by wind, water, ice, and forces within Earth

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

- Began our lesson about important people in history by watching a short video on the Smart Board about legends
- Read the story of Johnny Appleseed and discussed what parts of the story are facts, and what parts might be legends
- Participated in a Smart Board activity about important people in America's history, such as Benjamin Franklin and George Washington

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, up, no, and said.* Thank you!
- **Just a reminder:** Tomorrow **Friday, March 12** and **Monday, March 15** are **student holidays** and there is no school.



Have an outstanding weekend!

Sincerely,

~Miss O'Rourke and Miss Sullivan