

MISS O'ROURKE'S KINDERGARTEN NEWS!



SEPTEMBER 11, 2009

WOW! THIS WEEK IN KINDERGARTEN WAS SUPER FUN! HERE ARE SOME OF THE AMAZING THINGS WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING...

RELIGION: We...

- Celebrated that we are children of God and made paper bag puppets of ourselves
- Began Chapter 2, "God Gives Me Five Senses," and discovered the importance of our senses as we listened to a story

**We had our Gospel lesson for this Sunday's Mass and heard the story about Peter believing that Jesus is the Christ.

MATH: We...

- Continued to practice sorting objects and identified how different groups of objects were sorted
- Practiced identifying the item that belongs in a group
- Solved problems by sorting objects according to color or shape

LANGUAGE ARTS: We...

- Continued to practice forming the letter Dd and Ee, learned about the letters Ff, Gg, Hh, Ii, Jj, Kk, Ll, and Mm, and took turns practicing proper letter formation by printing and tracing each letter on our large white dry eraser board and Smart Board
- Learned about the word *cooperation* and discussed what it means in our lives, and discussed the meanings of the words *repair*, *leak*, *steep*, *ladder*, *puddles*, and *shed*
- Began learning to count the syllables that make up words by clapping and counting the number of words in sentences
- Practiced identifying the beginning sounds of words
- Practiced our high-frequency words by choral reading the stories *Am I?*, *Cat and Dog Work*, and *Melvin* with Miss O'Rourke
- Heard the stories The Enormous Elephant Show and Fix-It Duck
- Participated in a fun beginning sound sorting activity on the Smart Board in which we identified pictures that begin with the letters Aa - Ee

SCIENCE: We...

- Took turns describing objects that we selected from inside the classroom making sure to identify the object's color, shape, size, texture, weight, and function
- Extended what we know about objects by learning some fun songs and poems with gestures to describe objects

SOCIAL STUDIES: We ...

- Finished our lesson on rules and heard the story Listen and Learn
- Began our second lesson on what it takes to be a good citizen, watched a short video on the Smart Board, and learned about Ruby Bridges' immense courage and bravery

Notes from Miss O'Rourke:

- If you are interested in ordering Scholastic books, the order is due by September 25th. Thank you!

Have an outstanding weekend!

Sincerely,
~Miss O'Rourke