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First Grade Newsletter
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Upcoming Events

Grace Classic Tournament: February 9-12
Singing In Church: February 19th 9:30am
Milwaukee Public Museum Field Trip: March 9
A Red Carpet Affair School Dinner Auction: March 10
Singing In Church: March 12th 8:00am
Singing In Church: April 2nd 9:30am
No School- Easter Break- April 13-23
Singing In Church: May 14th 8:00am

Reminders

Next week we will be celebrating our school spirit in preparation for the 7th and 8th grade Classic Basketball Tournament. A note was sent home Thursday about next week's dress up days.

As Valentine's Day approaches think of a fun bag or box you can decorate with our child for their valentines to go in. Each child can also bring in Valentines to share with their class. We have 17 students.

Spelling/Phonics

We reviewed words that start with a s blend this week. Words that started with Sc-, Sn-, Sl-, Sm-, Sk- and Sp- were our focus. Students stored words into the correct s blend category. We also practiced matching our words to a synonym and an antonym. We added new endings to our words to make a new word, for example we changed snap to snapped. Students continued to practice their spelling words using spelling city during center time.

Workshops/Grammar

Our Lit Circles are moving right along. We reviewed word wizard and used dictionaries. We also looked at how to make connections between what we are reading and our world, self, or another text. We also reviewed the basics of sentence structure. We often have trouble remembering the capital letter and period. We completed a cut, paste, and illustrate activity to help us remember these basic sentence rules.

Religion

Our new unit is on leaders of the Bible. Our story this week was about Deborah and we learned how with God's power she helped her people stand up to an A Commander and King who were not leading the Israelites in a good way. We also listed leaders in our own lives and prayed for each of them specifically.

Author Study

Our spotlight author is Jan Brett. We are enjoying reading her beautiful books and learning more about her. She has written many books and has millions of books in circulation. We read her biography and put some important information about her in our Author Study book.

Science/Social Studies

This week in Social studies we continued with our unit on American Symbols. Students got to create their own liberty bell while learning different facts, did you know the liberty bell weighs over 2080 pounds?! Allison brought in a picture of the liberty bell from when she got to see it on vacation! We also explored the Statue of Liberty and created our own Bald Eagle painting.

Math

In Math this week students practiced making line segments and creating number lines. They were very excited to explore angles of a polygon by using geoboards, check out the pictures below to see what polygons some of the students made. We also worked on adding three single digit numbers as well as reviewed fractional parts of a whole.

This Week's Spotlights

Virtue: Kindness
Artist: Wassily Kandinsky
Author: Jan Brett
Student: Elijah



Important Links

First Grade Class Website:
www.gracefirstgrade.weebly.com
School Sycamore Site
<https://app.sycamoreeducation.com/index.php?schoolid=3020>

Week Highlights



