



Notes from September 2016



In Pre-S we...

- made "All About Me" books naming our favorites and also made all about me bags that we shared with the class.
- made elephants (for the book Elmer) and celebrated how each of us is unique.
- made applesauce and stain glass apples which are hanging in our room!

In Pre-K we...



- made new friends and learned new songs.
- learned about letters in our names.
- celebrated Johnny Appleseed's birthday.
- enjoyed our own homemade applesauce and made no-bake apple pies.
- made hats that look like the pot Johnny Appleseed himself wore.



In Kindergarten we...

- learned about numbers, shapes, and color words and have learned how to read and write some words.
- learned about fire safety and Johnny Appleseed.
- love going to music, gym, library, technology, Spanish and art.

In First Grade we...



- reviewed all beginning, middle, and end letter sounds.
- learned addition facts can be written vertically and horizontally.
- reviewed addition facts up to 10.
- celebrated an Opening School Mass with Bishop Cunningham.
- learned how to Think Smart and Stay Safe.



In Second Grade we...

- reviewed beginning/middle/end letter sounds including short and long vowel sounds.
- reviewed key details in stories.
- reviewed addition and subtraction strategies, fact families, and finding missing addends.
- celebrated an Opening School Mass with Bishop Cunningham.
- learned how to Think Smart and Stay Safe.

In Third & Fourth Grade we...



- welcomed Graycie, the class rabbit, back to school.
- read fantasy/fable genre stories and used text evidence for comprehension.
- reviewed and learned some new map skills.
- read about current events in Scholastic News magazine.



In Fifth Grade we...

- learned about cells and looked at them under a microscope.
- learned about the characteristics of a realistic fiction story.
- learned about Jesus' Trinity and Ministry.
- practiced using the writing process including pre-writing, drafting, revising, and editing.

Health tips from the nurse...



- Each time you wash your hands with soap and water, wash for at least 20 seconds.
- When you cough or sneeze, try to sneeze into your upper sleeve and not your hands.
- Bacterial infections like strep require an antibiotic for at least 24 hours before returning to school.



Art Creations



- Students in Grades PS - 6 have made fall projects which are hung around school. They also designed their own leaves.
- Students drew and painted self-portraits.

What's Kicking With Coach

- Students loved warming up with Hokey Pokey and parachute games.
- The soccer unit was introduced and students worked on dribbling the ball through cones.

Library

- Students checked out books and learned the importance of taking care of their library books.
- Introduced the season Fall and read the book "The Biggest Leaf Pile".

Technology Tidbits

- Students were introduced to the website code.org which will be utilized for teaching computer programming skills.



Spanish News

- We learned which are the most spoken languages in the world; the first is Mandarin, second is English and third is Spanish.
- We learned where in the world Spanish is the first language spoken and we colored the countries and pronounced them in Spanish.
- We learned how to say "Hi, How are you? I'm from ____" in Spanish.
- The little ones (PS, PK, and K) are learning the vocals in Spanish.

Vocal Music

- We practiced our songs "This Little Light of Mine", "God is So Good" and "His Banner Over Me is Love" for our special guest, Bishop Cunningham, who visited Rome Catholic School.
- Grades 4-6 are learning music theory- the lines and spaces of the treble and bass clef.



Extra, Extra!

- Yankee Candle sale started September 30th and ends October 14th. We are offering two ways to win a free Yankee Candle. Families that sell at least 5 items are entered in our drawing. Also, by sharing our Yankee Candle post on Facebook will enter you in our drawing.
- Look for October's Home & School Connection Newsletter!



October Upcoming Events

- 4th: Feast of St. Francis Mass - 10 AM (Chapel)
- 7th: PS & PK Field Trip to Abbott Farms
- 10th: No School - Columbus Day
- 11th: Visit from the Fire Department
- 14th: Yankee Candle Sale Ends
- 19th: PS - Grade 2 Visit to the Fire Station
- 21st: No Students - Faculty In-service Day
- 28th: PS & PK Field Trip to Will's Cackleberry Farm
Trunk or Treat in school Gymnasium @ 6PM
- 31st: Halloween - School Wide Celebration