OSLS Kindergarten News



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Special Activities this Week:

- We are so thankful that Jesus is never too busy for us! Some day we will get to see Him face to face and give Him a big hug. While we are waiting to see Him we are blessed when we study His Word in church and at home. It is wonderful to be able to talk to Him in prayer each and every day. How great it is that He says to all of us, "Come to Me!" The kids had such fun singing a song to help them remember how Jesus blessed the little children and how He is never too busy for us either.
- We learned about letter Qq as we made a number of quilt activities.
- We looked at a number of Amish style quilts in a variety of patterns that were made out of little paper squares. The quilt blocks used AB, ABC, AABB, AABBCC, AAB, etc. patterns. How interesting the designs look as the patterns were revealed. Students learned that quilters also have to use precision when they are constructing quilt patterns.
- Another activity involved using pattern blocks to create a design. Students had to carefully copy and transfer the design onto paper using pattern block stamps. It is fun to come up with different quilt pattern creations.
- It was fun to make tissue paper snowflakes that will be put together into a big paper quilt. Then the students had fun designing posters that state what they would do if they could be snowflakes.
- A variety of quilt stories were shared. One of the favorites was <u>The Quilt Story</u> by Tony Johnston and Tomi dePaola. This story then became a stimulus for some quilt stories in our journals. We are also concentrating on our compositions and still learning that a story contains more than just a beginning. There is a middle and an ending as well.
- We completed another sight word book called <u>Patterns</u>. The words to review in this book are "there" and "are". We also read a number of other sight word books to reinforce our remaining words for the trimester.
- The mini lessons during literacy centers focused on vowels. We learned that in English there are many words that "break the rules". However, there are still some helpful tips that can help readers. We learned that sometimes two vowels go walking and that the first one does the talking and the second one does the walking. Also we learned that super e can jump over one letter at times and help a vowel in front say its name. Y can also give some vowels a vacation and help out.
- In Math we continue to reinforce the concept that numbers in the teens are a set of 10 and so many ones.

Upcoming Events

Feb. 13 Valentine's Day Party - Mrs. Borcherding will be contacting families hosting the party. There will be 4 rotating activities: snack, craft, table game, & floor game.

Parents hosting may arrive at 1:45p.m. to help set up for the party.

Your child may make valentines at home to bring in to share with his/her friends. We will be making special bags for the valentines. Just have your child print the first name of each classmate on the valentine. (not last name, with the exception of David B. and David G.) Your child may sign To: ____ and From: ____. Here is the list of names: Dallas, David B., David G., Nora, Rachel, Juno, Robmade, Allesia, Harper, Nolan, Ruby, Lillian, Sylas, Elianna, Shalom, Kate, Cora, Mason, Madelyn, Megan, Teddy, and Natalie.

Feb. 14 & 17 No School

Feb. 21 One hour late start and end of second trimester

February 24th @6pm - PTL meal prep/tupperware event. Join us for a fun event. You will prepare 5 ready to go meals in your 5 new pieces of tupperware. See the sign up genius HERE for details and to sign up. This was a huge hit last year! Sign up deadline is February 14th.

Feb. 28 Report cards go home.

March 4 Muffins with Mom at 7:45a.m.

March 6 One hour late start

March 9 PTL meeting at 6:30p.m.

March 23-27 No School - Spring Break

April 3 OSLS PTL Walkathon - 12:15-3:00p.m. (See attachment to email with newsletter.)

Homework

Memory Work for Thursday, Feb. 13 is: "Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good." Psalm 107:1

Books to Save: I Want To Be Like Jesus When Is Easter? What Could I Do? My Family

The Hearts Patterns

1st Tri. Words: a, can, I, me, my, the, God, go, up, red, orange, yellow, green, blue, purple, black, white, brown, pink,

tan, gray, an, at, do, eight, five, four, in, is, it, like, nine, on, one, see, seven, six, ten, this, three, two,

we, am, and, as, did, saw, that, have, yes, no, not, has, sees, was, look

<u>2nd Tri. Words:</u> Jesus, are, need, God, for, now, went, here, to, come, you, with, what, be, from, of, all, who, there, give, many, love, if, would, wear, where, put, will, but, so, does, came, how, find, they, he, want, your, she, when, into, out, home, soon, could *****These are all of the second trimester words. I will begin testing to see if students know these words next week, starting on Feb. 4. Please help your child to learn and review these words. Thanks!****

Please help your child learn to put on a coat independently and know how to zip and fasten it. Also, please help your child learn to put on shoes without assistance and also help your child learn to tie his/her shoes independently.

If we have snow and an air temperature that does not have a windchill in the teens or lower, we will go outside if children are dressed appropriately. You may send boots & snow pants so your child may play in the snow. Your child does not have to leave these at school. They can bring them home so you do not have to purchase an additional set for home. Please send a bag for your child to carry/store these items so it can be placed on their hook. Thanks! Also, wearing snow boots all day are hot and uncomfortable. Please send other shoes to change into on snowy days. Also, anklets seem to come off in the boot. Longer socks work better.