

OSLS Kindergarten News



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This week:

- Prayer is a precious part of a Christian's life. Just as Christians long ago prayed for each other, we do as well. What a blessing it is to be able to teach and learn in an environment where we can stop at any time to talk to our Lord in prayer! If you could only see and hear what your children at Our Shepherd Lutheran School are able to experience on a daily basis. I know that the Lord is at work among us. After I begin my day in prayer for my students, there are many opportunities to see the Lord's hand in the events that unfold. On Thursday the students at Our Shepherd Lutheran School were able to join in prayer outside as we observed our National Day of Prayer. The students also colored books to help them remember The Lord's Prayer.
- We learned how God blesses us with the gift of faith through the Holy Spirit. Through His power we are His witnesses to spread the Good News of Christ's saving love to others.
- We have also been working hard learning how to correctly use and make greater than, less than and equal to symbols. We played a number of games with cards to compare sums.
- In PE the students continue to learn various folk dances. This week the students started to learn the Mexican Hat Dance. Dancing is not only great exercise, but it helps with coordination, left/right orientation, following directions, rhythm, tempo, etc.
- The students made a sight word book called Is It Alive? Not only did this book practice some important sight words like "know" and "walk", but it also helped the kids to learn about things that are living and nonliving. They learned to ask some important questions to determine this.
- During centers this week the students were able to sort and classify types of shells. As they recorded their results, they were able to practice tally marks and note their observations about various shell characteristics. They really enjoyed this activity. Shells are fascinating!
- I shared a variety of ocean books to help the students learn about what a plot is in a story. The students are still striving to write stories that contain a beginning, middle and an ending. I have been encouraging the young authors to think of a problem for the main character. The challenge is to use creativity to come up with ways to have the main character try to solve the problem. We also watched a number of wonderful movies about the ocean to help inspire us.
- They observed a variety of examples of ocean creatures and plant life in a big book. Then the students drew their own crayon resist underwater scenes. They especially had fun using white crayons to draw on the white paper and later were excited to reveal the hidden markings with the blue paint.

Upcoming Events

May 8 Field Trip to Plainfield Post Office

This trip requires self control from the students. They may not touch the mail in the areas that we will be touring. For this reason, if a child does not show self control, they may be taken back to school earlier or not allowed to go on the trip. Please help your child to also show good behavior and self control while you are in public places. They will need to walk and keep hands to themselves.

May 17 Set up the gym for the Authors' Tea after school

Any parent help would be appreciated! Please let me know if you can help.

There is a chance that an upper grade P.E. class may be able to set up the gym. I will keep you informed as we get closer to this date.

May 18 Kindergarten Authors' Tea - 9:00a.m. in the sanctuary, followed by a reception in the gym

There will be a photo slideshow prior to 9:00 in the sanctuary. The reception usually ends around 10:30a.m.

Homework

Memory Work for May 11 is: "Be strong and courageous...God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1:9

Book(s) to Save: (There were no new books this week.) Please note all of the underlined words below and help your child prepare for the final sight word test of the year. Thanks!

First Trimester Words to Save: me, my, go, up, the, I, a, can, red, blue, yellow, green, purple, orange, an, at, black, brown, do, gray, is, like, pink, see, this, we, white, on, in, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, am, and, as, did, saw, that, have, it, in, yes, no, not, has, sees, look, was

Second Trimester Words to Save: are, to, need, here, went, now, come, with, what, Jesus, from, God, who, for, you, how, give, there, love, if, would, wear, where, put, all, will, but, of, so, many, does, he, she, they, find, came, when, into, out, home, your, be, want, soon, could

Third Trimester Words to Save: think, zero, them, then, play, make, say, said, new, good, ate, were, some, over, her, his, grow, blow, by, sky, way, only, read, down, fly, flies, high, away, must, these, take, walk, stop, any, didn't, don't, it's, day, night, please, eat, rain, just, little, jump, help, ask, every, very, too, their, off, show, our, ride, work, sleep, says, know, busy

****** Above are the final words for the year. Please help your child to learn these for a final sight word test. Thanks!******

Put these words on flash cards for your child. Play matching games, Bingo, etc.

Please review the words listed above regularly with your child. Thanks!

I will ask your child to read these words to me for an assessment. Keep practicing regularly and have your child look for these words in other books you have at home as well. If your child is able to read these words already, encourage your child to use these words in his/her writing. See if he/she can spell them.

Please read the Ram News that is sent from the school office every Friday. There is important information that pertains to the whole school. Thanks! If you are not receiving the Ram News, please contact the school office.