

OSLS Kindergarten News



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This week we:

- ★ read a wide variety of books that taught kids about symbols of our nation. It was fun to learn about the eagle, flag, Statue of Liberty, White House, etc.
- ★ sang a variety of patriotic songs to promote pride in our country and had fun marching as we waved American flags. We had a wonderful time learning about our great nation. May God bless America!
- ★ learned map skills as we learned the outline of the United States and Indiana. They made their own maps and also had fun putting together a puzzle of the United States.
- ★ learned about the flag that represents our nation and the ways that our flag has changed over the years.
- ★had fun learning about the roles of special leaders in our nation, especially that of the president. The children learned about 2 of our famous presidents, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. We thank the Lord for the freedom in our nation to vote and we also pray for God to direct our leaders.
- ★also discussed the men and women who serve our nation in the armed forces. We sang some songs to remember their service to our nation. We are glad that we are able to live in a nation that has rights and privileges for citizens.
- ★discussed the Statue of Liberty and what liberty means to those who move to America - the land of the free. We even made liberty hats and torches to pretend to be statues of liberty. It was interesting to learn how the Statue of Liberty was designed and built. We researched and wrote about it too. It was interesting to learn that it was first brown and now green because of the copper. We are conducting our own experiment with pennies to see what will turn them green.
- ★As we discussed these map concepts, we reviewed the following sequence: "We live in a house in a neighborhood. A neighborhood is part of a city. A city is in a state that is part of the U.S.A. The U.S.A. is part of the land on the Earth and the Earth is part of the universe. The universe is in God's hands."
- ★broke sets into parts and put parts back together. This process of breaking apart sets of numbers is an important concept to introduce addition and subtraction. It was difficult for a few children that still have trouble counting with one-to-one correspondence. Please have your child count objects often and watch your child point as he or she counts. Check to see if your child counts the same object twice and if so, have him or her recount. We learned why 3 and 4 makes 7 and why 3 and 7 does not make 4. Look for papers in your child's backpack next week and review them with your child to help establish the concepts being taught.
- ★ had fun voting. Kids made a variety of campaign posters and had quite a few different elections using ballots that they made.

Upcoming Events

- Nov. 11** *****Kindergarten sings in the gym at the 10:45 a.m. service.*****
Please meet in the kindergarten room by no later than 10:30a.m.
- Nov. 15** K Crew meets after drop off at 8:30 in multipurpose room by the library.
This wonderful group of parents will help in ways that are needed to make books and run off materials that are used by the students. It is greatly appreciated!
- Nov. 20** No lunch is needed. Mrs. Cronauer hosts a Thanksgiving Feast for kindergarten.
If you would like to contribute something, please contact me or Caitlin Teague.
- Nov. 21-23** No School - Thanksgiving Break
- Nov. 26-27** Parent/Teacher Conferences
Forms with assigned dates and times for families were put in the Friday Folders.
Please return the forms by Monday, Nov. 12.
- Nov. 30** PTL Ornament Painting Night & Bake Sale at 6pm (\$10 per ornament)
- Dec. 21** Kindergarten Christmas Party Parents of Eden Douglas, Arabella Lipsey, Ella McNeely, Zoey Miller, and Liam Teague will be coordinating this party. A separate email will be going out to these parents in the next few weeks. If you are on this committee and know you cannot help or attend, let Caitlin Teague know so she can plan accordingly. Thanks! The time of the party is to be determined yet. I want to find out if there are schoolwide activities that day.

If your child needs to use extended care, please sign up in advance by using this link below:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0949a8ac2da4f58-november>

Homework

There is no Memory Work for Friday, November 16.

Books to Save: What Do We Need?

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: are, to, need, here

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.

★ Practice left and right with your child (right hand / left hand; as well as right side of a paper, or turn

to the left, etc.) Help your child to learn that when you read, the left page always is read before the right page. See if your child can track print. Have him/her find the first word on the page, the last word, etc. How many words are in each sentence? Where is the end of the sentence? Take note of the periods, question marks, exclamation marks, etc. Watch your child track print, one word at a time – left to right, top to bottom.

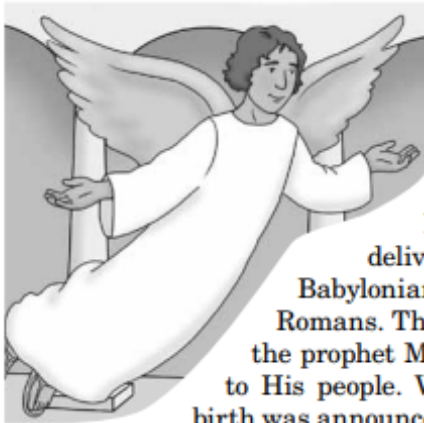
Also, please help your child learn to put on his/her shoes and socks independently.

★ Review the letters Aa, Bb, Cc, Dd, Ee, Ff, Gg, Hh, Ii, Jj, Kk, Ll, Mm, Nn, Oo, Pp, Qq, Rr, Ss, Tt, Uu, Vv, Ww, Xx, Yy, and Zz with your child. Help him/her to recognize them out of order. Talk about their sounds. **Practice printing them.**

★ Help your child to hold a pencil correctly. Only the pointer finger should be on top of the pencil.

The Birth of John the Baptist (Luke 1:5–25, 57–80)

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Dear Parents,

We want your child to know that God kept His promise to send a Savior and sent John the Baptist to prepare God's people for Jesus. God's people were waiting hundreds of years for someone who could deliver them from their enemies, such as the Babylonians, Persians, Alexander the Great, and the Romans. There was a period of hundreds of years after the prophet Malachi when no prophet spoke God's words to His people. What a joy it was that John the Baptist's birth was announced to his father Zechariah, for John was the prophet who was the forerunner of the long-awaited Messiah. The Savior would be born soon!

Perhaps you wait for things in your life too. Perhaps you've asked God for relief from your own "enemies." Know that God hasn't forgotten about you. He knows what's best for you and always keeps His promises. This month is a time of waiting for Christmas; the Church calls it Advent. What a joy it is to know that Jesus has already come! Our Savior has already defeated our worst enemies—sin, death, and the devil. May our Savior's birth give meaning and joy to your Christmas preparations! Pray that your child will share the Good News that Jesus is our Savior, like John the Baptist did.

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