

First Grade News



February 9, 2018

This week in first grade, we:

Religion – listened to God's word. Our lessons were "Simeon and Anna" and "The Baptism of Jesus." We learned that Jesus came to save ALL people from their sins. We also learned that baptism is a special way in which we receive forgiveness and salvation in our Savior, Jesus Christ.

February's Memory Verse:

"Jesus replied, 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'" Matthew 22:37

Reading – discussed and read stories about how animals survive in nature. The oral vocabulary words were: communicate, superior, survive, provide, wilderness. We worked with long o words with vowel spelling o, oa, ow and oe. Reviewed open syllables and worked on matching synonyms. In phonics, we learned about combination ar, or and qu. We also learned about digraph ch. We took our spelling and phonics assessment.

Next Week's Words to Know: caught, flew, know, laugh, listen and were.

Math - were introduced to 2-digit addition without regrouping. We spent most of the week working on learning about tens and ones place value disguised as dimes and pennies. We had a virtual classroom store on the Smart Board. Students chose two items to purchase and then calculated the total. We also took fact assessment 9 and written assessment 14.

Science - continued our study on plants and animals. We have discussed living and nonliving things and the functions of the parts of a plant. This week we learned about how plants grow and the different stages in the plant life cycle. We are also beginning an experiment where we will grow our own plants, observe the growth and changes they undergo, predict what our plants will look like, and understand the elements that make plants live.

Student Teacher

Upcoming Weeks:

- Feb. 12 - 15: Braiden
- Feb. 20 - 23: Mae



Upcoming Events & Reminders

- **TONIGHT ~ Family Fellowship Night 6-9pm**
- Feb. 12-15 ~ Spirit Dress Days:
 - Monday: Superhero Day
 - Tuesday: Denim Day
 - Wednesday: uniforms
 - Thursday: Blue and White Spirit Day
- Feb. 14 ~ Ash Wednesday Chapel is at 9:30; Valentine Party at 2:00
- Feb. 16 ~ No School - Teacher In-service & Topeka Tournament
- Feb. 19 ~ No School Presidents' Day
- Feb. 22 ~ Early Childhood Literacy Night (preschool to 2nd grade) 6-7
- Feb. 23 ~ Free Dress and Lifetouch Spring pictures
- **It's time to order your 2017-18 yearbook!** This month is the first opportunity to order for this year. Extra order forms are in the office. Make checks payable to Holy Cross. **The deadline to turn in your order is February 28th.** To order online go to ybpay.lifetouch.com and enter the code **1298618**. A basic yearbook is only \$16. Upgrade options such as a hardcover or a personalized cover with your picture are available for an additional fee. Don't miss out this year. Order today!
- Check the "Holy Cross Eagle" for more announcements and activities

Spelling Words and Sentences (test Thursday Feb. 15th)

me run thing take she's looking
little title will shell one two

Frank goes to class at twelve.
He'll take a test at one.
He needs to make a good grade.

