



CLASSROOM SNAP SHOTS!

January 29, 2010



PK3 & PK4

The three-year-old class enjoyed bringing their favorite bears to school for a special day. We decorated box cars for them to ride in and took them on a parade around school. We had fun learning about the different kinds of bears God created and sharing a picnic with our bears. We sang a couple songs about bears and read "Corduroy." Mrs. Toenjes brought her bear to gym class and we enjoyed some parachute activities with him.

During Jesus time we learned how Jesus cares for us and heals us when we are sick or hurt. The Bible story of the healing of the paralyzed man was our story this week. We enjoyed acting it out and hearing how Jesus healed the man so he could walk again.

The four-year-old class headed to the "poles" this week to talk about penguins and polar bears! We spent time playing counting and sequence games about our cold weather friends, making stuffed penguins, acting like penguins, singing songs about the polar bear and reading some silly stories. We even baked up a batch of yummy polar bear claws.

We especially enjoyed our trip to visit kindergarten on Wednesday. They shared all the neat things in their room with us and we really liked the centers and learning more about calendar and reading time.

During Jesus time we heard how Jesus welcomed the little children that came to Him and He blessed them. Jesus is our best friend too and we know He is always with us and loves us.

God bless your weekend!

Kindergarten

We learned about the Bible lesson from Luke chapter five. Jesus showed His power by helping Peter and his friends catch more fish than the nets could hold. Peter confessed to Jesus that he is sinful. Jesus told Peter to not be afraid and that from now on he would catch men for Christ. Peter and his friends put their boats on shore, left everything behind and followed Jesus. We are to be busy catching people for Jesus. Our words and actions everyday have an impact on a world that doesn't follow Jesus. Jesus does not want us to be afraid. He gives us His promise to be with us always. We have His Holy Word for guidance and we can be in constant contact with Him through prayer. What a joy it is to have the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ! Let us **not** be afraid to share the Gospel message meant for all people.

We worked with the letter and sound of Rr and the sight word to. We practiced looking for the main idea of a story and reviewed sight words. We talked about and practiced making vertical and horizontal lines to help our handwriting. We worked with numbers to 20 and practiced making liquid measurements and dry measurements. We learned about animals in the winter and where they make their home. We read about animals in the North Pole and Alaska. We enjoyed having the preschool class visit our room and the extra activities we did with them.

Next week we will celebrate our 100th day of school (February 4th). Please look in the daily folder for the home activity and what to bring that day. The memory is Bible verse #4 and #16. The snack person is Jordy.

Joy in Jesus!
Mrs. Kuske

First and Second Grade

This week we learned about King Josiah. He began to rule Judah when he was only eight years old. Before him Judah had two evil kings that worshiped idols. God placed faithful people in Josiah's life to teach him about the one true God. God used Josiah to change the ways of the people of Judah. When Josiah was old enough to rule the kingdom on his own, he ordered that the temple be repaired. While the restoration was being done, the priest, Hilkiah, found God's holy Word. This caused Josiah to have the Word of God read to all the people and they repented and returned to worship the one true God. We need to be like Josiah and share the good news of the one true God with those people around us so that they too can know of the one Savior that can lead them to eternal life!

We continue to work hard. Both grades are working on fractions in math. Second grade continues to work on adding with regrouping. First grade is working hard on counting money with dimes and pennies. Have them count the change in your pocket and write the amount on a scrap piece of paper. Don't let them forget the cent sign. Keep practicing those math facts with your child.

Keep encouraging your child to read and list the book on the book log. The January sheet will be due on Monday with the new one coming home next week.

Have a great weekend and remember to worship the one true God!

Third and Fourth Grade

This week the students helped with the chapel. They each read a Bible passage, and helped with the message by acting out the parable of the sower. I hope that the students enjoy doing this in the two years that they are in my room.

Some of the students are doing a good job either getting more memory said on memory days, or coming up to me to say their multiplication facts. Please keep reviewing the facts with them at night and also listening to their memory before they come to school so that they are ready to say it in the morning.

In Science we are starting the third chapter in the roles of living things unit. In this chapter we will be looking at how living things affect their environment and adapt to environmental changes in order to survive.

Tests next week:

Wednesday - Social Studies Unit 3 (3rd)

Friday - English Unit 3; Spelling Unit 18

Fifth and Sixth Grade

The students came up with some great topics for the science fair. They are working hard researching their idea. The hypothesis is due on Monday. Remember to guide your child with the project, but he should be doing the work himself.

The 6th grade is started a new unit in Social Studies. This quarter they will be focusing on our neighbor Mexico. It will be nice for them to combine what they learn in Social Studies to the Spanish they have been learning.

Next week, the 5th grade will start looking at farming in Wisconsin. They will see the importance of this to the state and their lives.

Tests next week: Spelling unit 19 on Friday, 5th Social Studies Chapter 17 on Friday.

From Mr. Kramer

We are two weeks into the third quarter so grades five and six should have a minimum of ten memory passages said. I have made a deal with the students. If all of them finish by mid-quarter, we will watch a movie and I will make them a treat. This is a very attainable goal since third quarter is the easiest quarter for memory work.

Grades five and six will be reading "The Bridge to Terabithia" next month. Grades seven and eight will be reading "From the Mixed-up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler". Grades seven and eight have already received their due dates for this book. Grades five and six will have the due dates by Monday.

Grades five through eight will be going to the Weidner Center on March 9, 10:00 A.M., to see "Four Score and Seven Years Ago", April 20, 12:30 P.M., to see "Doktor Kaboom" (a science program), and April 22, 10:00 A.M., to see "From the Mixed Up Files of Mrs. Basil E. Frankweiler". The cost of each of these trips is \$7 or \$21 for the three. We will need drivers for these trips. So far we do not have any drivers for these dates. Please pay for the first trip by the end of February.

I will be beginning a poetry unit in grades five through eight beginning in February. You child will be writing a book of poems which he/she will illustrate and publish.

Sport Note

Even though there is still snow on the ground and the temperatures are below zero, it is time to start thinking of training for the Bellin Run. Mrs. Kramer and I will again head up a kids for running program at Redeemer to prepare students to run the 6.2 mile race. If any adult is interested helping with the training, please talk to Mr. Kramer. Students from grades four through eight are invited to participate without parent involvement. Students who are in grades one through three may participate if a parent is involved with the training. Next week I will hand out a sign-up sheet for participation in this running club.