BEAR FACTS February 22, 2024

Happy Thursday! Hopefully everyone has been having a nice week. I am sending folders home today since we will not need to bring back packs tomorrow. There will not be lunch or snack tomorrow either. Please return the red folder on Monday.

This week we continued learning about the letter S. We are so good at finding things around school that make this sound! Most of us like to go through our lunch to see if we have anything that starts with S.

In Math, we will begin using double ten frames next week, which will lead into addition. After we work on addition, we will move on to subtraction.

We did lots of work on our Mexico presentation we did today. We were divided into 4 groups– Music, Food, Religion, and the Flag. We did coloring pages to help us do research on this fun country, and even started a small booklet that will come home next week. We also recorded our Fruits of the Spirit skit today. Thanks to Ms. Landwehr and the 5th graders for being great examples to our class and working with us. We had so much fun and enjoyed our time with you all.

On Tuesday, we attended an assembly in the gym on how we are connected through our abilities. Community helpers came and spoke to our school. Mr. Jander is part of the St. Louis Renaissance Fair and spoke to us about the style of dance that is done at the fair. A firefighter from the Florissant Valley Fire Department came, as well as a friend of our PE teacher Mr. Miller. This friend had to have his leg amputated, and he spoke to the children about how much of a difficult decision that was, but he kept on going and is capable of doing things just like we do. We thank all of these wonderful people for coming and speaking to Atonement Lutheran School.

On Wednesday, we had an assembly on how we are connected through our cultures. The speakers were from Africa, Thailand, and Mexico. Each did a fantastic job and the children were very engaged and liked hearing about each country. Thanks to those who came to tell us fun facts about their cultures.

Tomorrow is VIP Day. Students can bring one or two special people to school with them. There will be breakfast in the gym, as well as some activities in our classroom. I have displayed one piece of art from each child that is hanging up in the hallway leading to our classroom. Also on display is a friendship writing activity and a fun art project. Dismissal time is 11AM, but there is after care provided until 2PM if needed.

Our newest **Kindergarten Kid** is **Kennedy**. She is very creative and artistic, and is a wonderful sister to her brothers James and Lucas! Be sure to check her out on our website— **atonementbb.com.**

Congratulations to **Zoey** for having **200 Books Read to Me**! Keep up the great work!

**Happy Sacks** will come next week with **Emilia**, **Dominic,** **Cristian**, and **Cortnee.** We would love to see something that starts with the letter **T**.

In the next few weeks, I will be testing over the letter identification and sound recognition of letters Aa-Tt. Number recognition will be from 0-75. Once a date is set, I will send out a message. We will be working on all of these in class, but extra practice at home is also a confidence booster.

Thanks again to Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Ryals for your continued support and help in Kindergarten. Both of you make our days run smoothly. I truly appreciate everything you both do on a daily basis.

Next week is our Book Fair. There is a flier in today’s folder about this event. I signed our class up to go on Tuesday, February 27th from 1-2PM. Mr. Jander sent out a message on Class Dojo about this event as well. You can set up an eWallet if you would like, or bring in cash and I will hold on to it until the day we shop. There is a link attached on Mr. Jander’s post that he made that will take you to the website with more information.

Please continue to pray for Mrs. Eggers and her healing. She is recovering nicely. We miss her so much! Have a wonderful weekend! I will see everyone next week. Take care!

Blessings,

Amy Washburn