

Kindergarten Connection

Spiritual Growth, Academic Excellence, Moral Integrity

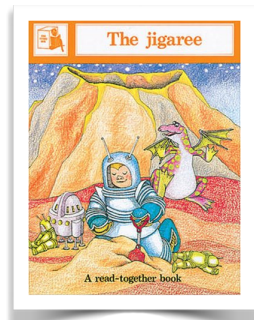
English Language Arts

Our new space unit has been “launched” with great success! Monday, we generated many interesting questions that we are wondering about and would like answers to during our study of space. We also generated a small list of things we already know about space. If you come across anything you

think we could use, please feel free to send it in with your child’s name clearly marked on it if you would like it back. Our introductory books to this topic were Planets Around the

Sun by Seymour Simon and Astronaut Living in Space by Kate Hayden. We did some fun astronaut exercises and sequenced pictures of those exercises on a sentence strip on Tuesday. It is amazing how much we have learned about space already! We read some wonderful books about the moon and had a lot of fun creating craters using a variety of asteroids (balls). We explored how force can change the depth of a crater. As a large group we read the book, The Jigaree by, Joy Cowley. The children love this

story about a space creature and a child. The predictability and patterns in the text make the story fun and easy to read. We continue to practice all the alphabet letters on a daily basis with our chant and our blending board including both long and short vowel sounds. Maybe you have heard the big news that we want to turn the kitchen into a space station! If you have anything at home we can use to accomplish this please send it in next week.



Math

We began a new center sheet on Monday and the children are working on the following activities; Roll a Martian– children play in partners and roll 2 dice on their turn then add them together the other player then rolls the dice and adds them together. Whoever gets the greater number gets to color a part of their martian. The first person to color their whole martian is the winner, Satellite dot to dot– Children connect numbers in order working on number identification and then color the picture, Chocolate chip cookie addition– children roll a number die and a dot die, add them together and then draw chocolate chips on the cookie. Once both cookies have chocolate chips they are all added together, Number Booklets: number writing and counting practice 10-20 numbers, Bubble Gum Bubble Gum in a dish game with an addition page, and lastly, Dominoes Same Number game- played with 4 students counting and matching numbers to be this first person to run out of dominoes becoming the winner.



Bits and Pieces

No School

We have a Bishop’s Holiday on

Monday, February 12th No School.

Enjoy the Super Bowl!

Valentine’s Day

Hopefully, your child has begun working on his/her **Valentine cards.**

Please have your child bring in his/her Valentines on **Tuesday, February 13th** and please

remember to make sure your child has one for each classmate.

Remember that each Valentine must have a classmate’s name on it that your child has written.

This will make for easy distribution at our party.

ELA Centers From This Week

Below are the centers your child completed this week.

POETRY NOTEBOOKS

"Little Rocket"

UNDERCOVER

Astronaut adventures
sequencing

MEET WITH MRS. ZIEMBA

handwriting, began
Reading Mae Among
the Stars

LISTENING

The Jigaree

MATH LAB

AAB, ABC stars
patterns

WRITING

If I were an astronaut...

ABC CENTER

ABC dot to dot creating
the sun, planet bingo

ART FUN

Valentine heart bag
decorating, satellite dot
to dot

EXTRA FUN

Easels, Play Doh,
Independent/Buddy
Reading, Read Around
the Room, iPads.

Religion

We continued to talk about Jesus as our Good Shepherd. So much fun is had each day during religion playing the lost sheep game. One of the children is the shepherd and another is the lost sheep. Everyone else is the flock of sheep that help the shepherd locate the hiding lost sheep by baaing loudly or softly. The game reminds us of God's great love and how He will always watch over us, love us and forgive us because we are His sheep. We took another look at our prayer center before it changes for Lent. The kids were reminded they can use the holy water and battery operated candles when they want to share a moment with God. We have been working on The Our Father and The Hail Mary prayers. We read our Promise Magazine today.



Red/Tricky Words

Our red word this week was "all". The kids realized this word is used a lot in our everyday life! We got a late start to practicing it with our Rock Paper Scissors game so, we will continue to practice it next week.

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Immaculate Conception Gala

The Gala is coming **Saturday, March 16th**. Please think about attending this important fundraiser.

No School Friday, Feb. 16 Staff PD and Monday, February 19th for Presidents' Day.

Tricky Tray Fundraiser this Weekend! February 10, 2024 from 2:00-6:00PM Buy tickets at the door or preorder.

Emergency Closure Packets Today a packet of work has been sent home in case of an emergency closure and we can't come to school. Please read the information carefully and don't allow your child have the packet unless school is canceled.

Literacy Pouch Request Please make every effort to keep the paper clip(s) attached to the direction cards in the pouch. Adding paperclips that are missing from the cards adds more time to getting the pouches ready each week. Thank you!