NEWSLETTER

ASSUMPTION PRESCHOOL AND PREKINDERGARTEN

This week's News ~ Jan. 1-5, 2024

Preschool:

- Tuesday, we started the new year learning a new song "This is the Day the Lord has Made". We looked for new things around the classroom. We will be learning about Winter, snow, hibernating and non-hibernating animals in January.
- Together, we made pictures of a snowman looking up at the snow, placing circles, cutting noses and scarves.
- We identified and matched alphabet letters and listened to "The Mitten" and "Snowball Soup".
- We found rectangles and the color blue around the classroom.
- Thursday, we talked about Hibernation. We read 2 books and played a hibernation counting game. We also created a "Time to Hibernate!" paper with a drawing of a bear with snow falling.
- We identified forest animals and sorted them by attributes.
- We talked about how Jesus will always tell us the truth at Chapel Time.
- We met our new afternoon class helper, Miss C, who will help with outside recess, our Monkey Mind time, Bible story time and getting ready to go home.

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Prekindergarten:

- **Wednesday,** we started with a new song, "This is the Day" and we will be singing the "Golden Rule" song to remind us of God's important rule.
- We will also be learning about the Polar regions. We learned the Arctic is the northern most part of the world and the Antarctic is the southernmost part of the world.
- We created our own snowmen by cutting assembling and gluing snowman parts.
- We worked on writing our names, concentrating on forming the letters correctly and using upper/lower case letters appropriately.
- We identified and talked about the Holy Family and the Epiphany.

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- **Friday,** we talked about the Epiphany. We imagined what it would be like to ride camels for miles and how long it would take to arrive in Bethlehem. We created pictures of the scene using our handprints, fingerprints, and thumbprints.
- We also talked about the weather in the Polar regions, and we did Antarctic Animal movements.
- We practiced putting our alphabet letters in order and matching the upper to the lower case.
- We played "Our favorite Bird" game and slide the hula hoop in PE with Coach Eager in the gym.
- We learned about Jesus's baptism and looked at baptism pictures during Seeds religion.
- We listened to a story read by Mrs. Kim and checked out books from the library.

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- Please remember, every Wednesday is an early release day at 2:00 p.m.
- One of our many goals is to teach independence to your child. We ask them
 to attempt all self-care (toileting, putting on shoes, putting on jackets,
 carrying their bags, hanging up their backpacks and coats, etc.) by
 themselves before helping if needed. We would appreciate if you would
 support this at home by allowing them to do as much as they can. They will
 surprise you!

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Upcoming events in January & February

- Jan.10 PTC General Meeting at 7pm in the Gym with guest speaker
- Jan. 15 No School/ Dr. Martin Luther King Day Observed
- Jan. 18 Warm and Fuzzy Day
- Jan. 26 Prekindergarten will attend Mass
- Jan. 26 Re-enrollment for current families starts
- Jan. 28-Feb. 3 Catholic Schools Week
- Jan 29 No School Teacher workday
- Feb. 4- Open House for 1-8th grades
- Feb. 7 State of the School Presentation- Mr. Anderson
- Feb. 11 Superbowl Party Fundraiser 2-8pm in the gym
- Feb. 16 No school/ Curriculum Day for staff

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