

Here's What's Been Going on in 1S! Week of October 8-11, 2018

Religion

First grade finished their Missionary Rosaries this week, praying for the people of Oceania and Africa.

Students also began working on an entry for the Catholic Charities Christmas card contest.

Math

Subtraction continued as the focus. Students practiced subtracting from 4, 5, 6 and 7. They also worked to use subtraction to compare groups and practiced the problem solving skill of drawing a picture to help find a solution.

I HIGHLY encourage you to practice subtraction skills with your child at home!

Language Arts

The **reading** comprehension skill this past week was text and graphic features, in other words, recognizing that the author uses specific words (like labels) and photos to help the reader understand a story.

In **Writing** the students worked on a piece about the shared experience of the jog-a-thon.

First grade practiced the visual discrimination portion of our **Spelling** program.

The letter "t" was practiced in **Handwriting** and adjectives were introduced in **English/Grammar**.

Social Studies

Students were introduced to map skills, including how to read a map key. They also worked to learn more about leaders and the jobs they have. The concepts of a mayor and governor were introduced.

Students also had an opportunity to learn from a guest teacher about the topic of bullying. Ms. Yockey, our school counselor, taught the students about how to recognize and respond to physical, emotional, social and cyber bullying.

Science

First grade made sun finders as they learned about how the sun can help them if they are lost.

Lexi was our Student of the Week!

Happy Birthday to Emeka!

Jog-a-thon Pledges

A note went home with your child to let you know how many laps he/she ran last week at our jog-a-thon. Please continue gathering the donations from your child's pledge sheet. Thank you!

Blazer Reading Program!

Your child should have a new looking reading log. Valley students have been invited to take the Blazer challenge, called "Read Big!". Students are being challenged to read as much as they can in the next month or so. Please help your child record the title of any books he/she may be reading with or to you, as well as the number of pages read. Students can earn credit for this program by you reading to them as well. Prizes for this program include a free ticket to a Blazer game! Please see your child's "Friday Folder" for the log. Please note, anything that your child puts on his/her regular Reading Log can also count on the Blazer one!

Book Orders

If you would like to order from our most recent book order, please submit your order online at Scholastic.com by Monday at 4 PM. Just a reminder that our classroom code is: 2JH3R. Thank you!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone!
Enjoy this gorgeous weather!