

2P'S LUCKY MARCH NEWSLETTER

St. Joseph's School
Spruce Grove, AB.
March 2010

This Month's Highlight

Thursday, March 4th

2P has a guest speaker on the topic of "Responsibility"!

Monday, March 8th

Report cards go home

Tuesday & Wednesday (Mar. 9th & 10th)

Celebration of Learning
Kidzart exhibit

Wednesday, March 17th

St. Patrick's Day!
Building Leprechaun traps *more info to follow

Friday, March 26th

Fairytale Ball *more info. will follow

Monday, March 29th

Spring Break begins



Birthdays

March 7th – Raegan
March 19th – Madelaine

Social Studies



In Social Studies we are continuing to learn about the people and cultures of three communities in Canada—Saskatoon, Meteghan, and Iqaluit. We are focusing on hearing stories to learn about the people of Canada in the coming days, along with the traditions and customs in these communities

Math



We are continuing our work on developing strategies on addition and subtraction (with answers to 100) as well as learning how to apply mental math strategies such as: using doubles, one more, one less, two more, two less, building on a known double, and thinking addition for subtraction. There will be additional resource available at our Celebration of Learning to help with ideas at home. Until then, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns!

Religion



The Lenten Season has begun and our class has been focusing on how we can eliminate the things that get in our way from having a healthy relationship with others and God. Lent is a time we can strengthen our faith. It is a time for both fasting and praying. Jesus started His ministry of preaching and healing by going to the desert, where He prayed and fasted for forty days. Prayer and fasting will strengthen our resolve to do good and will enlighten us to what is God's will. Encourage your child to pray during Lent by saying prayers together as a family, and encourage them to fast by giving up something. It is by our examples that our children begin to build their own faith and values.



L.A. Our class has been busy learning about the "recipe for a fairy tale" as part of our learning in creative writing. We have been reading many fairytales and enjoying some 'fractured fairy tales' too. Your child may wish to tell you about "Cinder Edna" or "Goldilocks has Chicken Pox" and of course everyone loves "The Stinky Cheese Man"! We are writing and publishing our very own stories/fairytales right now.

Science



We have begun a new unit on Boats and Buoyancy and the class has participated in a workshop learning all about sinking and floating, as well as creating their own boat. Questions such as Can you give an example of something that sinks? Floats? Using aluminum foil, can you make it sink? Float? How can you make something that sinks, float?

Extras!

Our class is creating a Fairytale Museum and the students are invited to contribute an 'artifact' of some sort to share with the class. Some ideas may be a basket from Little Red Riding Hood, or a 'glass slipper' belonging to Cinderella, or how about the poison apple from Snow White and the Seven Dwarves? Have your child think about an idea and send the item in by Thursday March 11th if possible. Thank you for your help with this!

I look forward to seeing you at our Celebration of Learning!

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