

# A Peek at Our Week

Mrs. Gilson's Kindergarten

November 4, 2016

Our Pumpkins and Prayers, Prayer Service will be held on November 22<sup>nd</sup> in the Chapel. All are welcome!

It's hard to believe that the lines for the Christmas Program went home already, but December will be here before you know it! Thank you for helping your child learn his/her part☺.

With the cold weather approaching, we are asking that the children practice putting on their own coats as well as zipping/buttoning. Most of them are doing great.

Our story this week was "A Bear Snores On"! We continued to work on the sight words **MY, LIKE, and WE**. Next week we will learn **HE and FOR**. Our focal skill was realism and fantasy and our letter this week was "C". Next week we will learn our next vowel sound, the short I sound! "I" word families will be introduced as well. Thank you for listening to your child read the little take home booklets. They are so proud of themselves!

I introduced the class to "MORNING MESSAGE" this week. This is simply a letter written from me, to the children on the white board. They take turns picking out of my "morning message box" (ask them all about it☺) and they find certain words, letters, letter sounds and punctuation within my message. I like to expose the class to a variety of learning activities so they become confident readers and learners!

We write in our Writing Journals quite often! I started off the year by dictating sentences to them. We now have moved on to "Labeling". I draw a picture and the children help me label it. Then we use those words along with our popcorn words and "Inventive Spelling" (writing the sounds that we hear), to write a sentence. I hope they write often at home! Let's praise their attempts on spelling.....these attempts will eventually lead to correct spelling☺.

In Math this week, we continue with greater than, less than, and consistent counting. We learned a new strategy... "building a model" to help us solve story problems. We will have a chapter test next week.

In Social Studies we are learning all about the election process! We learned new vocabulary such as **ELECTION, BALLOT, VOTING BOOTH, CANDIDATES and VOTE**. We

voted for our favorite candidate duck or Grace (stories that I read) last week. On Tuesday we will vote for the real candidates.

In Religion we discussed SAINTS, for ALL SAINTS DAY! We made our first visit to the Motherhouse last week to sing to the Sisters. They love seeing the children!

*Have a wonderful Weekend!!!*