

January 15, 2010

Dear Students and Parents,

Upcoming Events:

- Monday January 18th: No School Martin Luther King Day
- Tuesday January 19th: Last day to turn in cans for Boy Scouts
- Sunday January 24th: St. Mary's Open House and Pancake Breakfast

Literacy: This week in Writer's Workshop the class has been working on making lists in their Writer's Notebooks. They have been working on writing entries from these lists, as well as writing from a word and writing about senses. I am very excited to hear more of the boys' bright stories. In Reader's Workshop, we have been working on making connections to the stories we read. Most of this week, we have worked on text to self and text to text connections. Next week we will be finish working on text to text connections and also look at text to world connections.

Religion: In Religion this week, we have been studying the attributes of God. We have talked about attributes that describe us and why Jesus called God "father".

Science: This week in Science, we have been learning about the moon phases. We were also able to explore some of the science websites posted on our class webpage. The Science Quiz for moon phases and the seasons will be at the end of next week or even the beginning of the following week. I will keep you and the boys posted about this date.

Social Studies: This week in Social Studies, we have been looking at the colonial settlements and the similarities and differences between their regions. We talked about Triangular Trade and the different items and even people that traveled between these countries.

Your student's report card will be coming home with them today. The scores your child is receiving are from the second quarter work they completed. I have based behavior grades on observations I have made in the classroom. If you have any questions about the grades please feel free to contact me. You may also schedule a conference with me at any time; I always enjoy discussing the progress we are making in the classroom.

Have a wonderful, long weekend.

Sincerely,

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Students name this moon on
Monday and win a Mel Buck!!!