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"God is love."

1 John 4:8

We have had fun in **Kindergarten** this week. Last week the **Fourth Grade** came to do a play for us. That was such a great way to learn how God is faithful – He was faithful to Daniel's 3 friends – and He will be faithful to us. In our Bible lessons we are learning about Moses for the next 2 weeks.

The **Kindergarteners** are also learning to sound out words: sit – cut – run – hug, it is fun to learn to read. In Math, we are learning how to tell if something is one half. We are also counting by 1's, 5's, 10's and 25's.

Thank you **Mrs. Mencywor** for helping at our Harvest Party. It was fun!

Mrs. Tibbitts
Kindergarten

"Yet to all who received Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God."

John 1:12

This week in Bible class, **First Graders** learned how Moses' prayer of intervention actually changed God's mind. God didn't destroy the Israelites for worshipping a golden calf that they made while waiting for Moses to return from Mt. Sinai. We made our own little Ten Commandment tablets to remind us to obey God's laws.

In Heritage class, **First Graders** made their own teepees like those of the Sioux Indians of the Midwestern plains. While their teepees were made of animal skins, we learned the Woodland Indians, like the Iroquois, made their "long houses" out of poles and bark of the nearby woods of New York. We enjoyed re-enacting the different ways the Sioux Indians hunted buffalo.

We enjoyed learning safety rules when the Firemen came with their fire engines. And we had a special treat of having our very own Noleni Mendola bravely volunteer to get into Firemen clothes for a demonstration!

Thanks to **Mrs. Connolly and Mrs. Litman** for treating us to a fantastic Harvest Party and to all parents who contributed. Thanks for coordinating such fun crafts and games **Mrs. Connolly!**

Congratulations to **Sarah Litman**, our first "Ravenous Reader" who completed a stamped card for twenty book reports given. Enjoy your extra hour this weekend when you turn back the clocks one hour Saturday night.

Mrs. Warren
First Grade

"If My people, who are called by My name, will humble themselves and pray and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14

The **Second Graders** will be discussing Samson in Bible this week. Our verse is applicable to our world today. We will talk about our need to repent and seek God. The turning toward God can begin with our students.

We will finish our Science book this week with a look at the water cycle. We will make a poster with different types of clouds.

In Arithmetic, we will learn to tell time to the quarter-hour. We will also start 3-digit addition. We are excited to have a mock election next Tuesday.

Thank you to all who made our Harvest Party so much fun. Thank you especially to **Mrs. Jennings and Mrs. Marineau** for the great games and organizing the party!

Miss Ohlin
Second Grade

"Even a child is known by his actions, by whether his conduct is pure and right."

Proverbs 20:11

In Bible the **Third Graders** studied about Elijah and the story of the contest with the prophets of Baal, about Elijah's trust and reliance on God, and how that led to pure actions. We discussed how the **Third Graders** can have pure actions also.

During D.E.A.R. time I am reading Stuart Little by E.B. White to the **Third Graders**. They enjoy hearing about Stuart's adventures, a tiny mouse in a big, big world!

In Heritage the **Third Graders** learned about the French & Indian War, the War for Independence, and the Constitutional Convention through the life of George Washington. He is remembered as the "first in war, first in peace, and first in the hearts of his countrymen".

The **Third Graders** enjoyed their Fall Harvest Party with the **Fourth Grade** on Friday! A big thanks to **Mrs. Caron and Mrs. Tibbitts** for planning and running the party! Also, thanks to the **Fourth Grade** parents for supplying the food.

Mrs. Green
Third Grade

"The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth."

John 1:14

In **Fourth Grade** Bible class, we are beginning a

study of the Trinity. This week we are focusing on the Divinity of Christ. We have looked at Jesus' life – his miracles and teachings to see that both Jesus' words and works attest to His divinity. Of course, the greatest proof of all is His resurrection. Jesus Christ is indeed Lord of Lords and King of Kings!

The **Fourth Grade** has begun reading the book, Captive Treasure. The story tells the adventures of Carrie Bolton as she travels west with her family in a wagon train. The settlers must leave treasures behind as they travel up the Rockies. Carrie is saddened by the loss of so many beautiful items, but is reminded of the verse found in Matthew 6:21: *"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."* The wagon train is attacked by a raiding party, and as Carrie saves the family Bible from destruction, she is captured. Carrie must learn to rely on God and His Word to see her through this difficult situation.

The **Fourth Grade** had a great time at the Sandy Point Discovery Center at the Great Bay Estuary. We took a tour of the upland forest and the salt marsh, where we saw two Great Blue Herons! We touched horseshoe crabs and oysters and got to see how a flounder changes color the camouflage itself! We also went into two different life-size wig-wams. Do you know the difference between a teepee and a wig-wam? Ask your **Fourth Graders!** Many thanks to our drivers – **Mrs. Savell and Mrs. Ferwerda.**

Mrs. Carlson
Fourth Grade

"The Lord is slow to anger, abounding in love and forgiving sin and rebellion. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished; he punishes the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation."

Numbers 14:18

Though we are concluding our study on prayer and praise in Bible class, I am encouraging all the **Fifth and Sixth Graders** to continue to praise the Lord every day. Next week, we resume our study of the Old Testament patriarchs. We will concentrate on Moses and choices made in the wilderness.

In Language, the **Fifth Graders** wrote a persuasive business letter, mostly addressed to their parents. Let me know if they succeeded with their requests. **Sixth Graders** are beginning a unit on editorials.

In **Fifth Grade** Science, we are learning about light, lenses and eyes. It is amazing to see what a couple of lenses can do to our vision. In the **Sixth Grade** Science class, we began a study of the earth. Everyone should be working on their earth project, which is due next Wednesday.

In the **Fifth and Sixth Grade** History classes, we spent time looking at the election process. The school will be holding a mock election on Tuesday

Thank you **Mrs. LaValley** for organizing our Harvest Party. Grades for 1st quarter end next Wednesday. We look forward to seeing you at the conferences with their 1st quarter report cards.

"Star student of the week": ***Joseph Walbridge***

Mrs. Busch/Mrs. Whitney
Fifth/Sixth Grade

On The Grapevine

CHAPEL: You are invited to join us from 8:45-9:30 a.m. each Friday morning for Chapel. **Mrs. Busch** will lead Chapel with our music director, **Mrs. Zibby Robinson** leading the singing and **Mrs. Colette Hatch** as our piano player. Parents and friends are always welcome to attend!

11/14 No Chapel, "Operation Christmas Child" boxes due
11/21 Pastor Darin Shaw
12/5 Pastor Mark Ballard
12/12 Christmas Sing-A-Long
12/19 Dr. Alan Tomlinson

DO-THE-RIGHT-THING-COURT Congratulations to those found "guilty" in court today.

Breanna Valade Gr. 1 **Jordan Petrocelli Gr. 2**
Ben Sontag Gr. 5

Calendar of Events

11/4 Last after school club for 1st quarter
11/4 No Bus Service AM or PM, no public school
11/5 Jeans-N-Sneaker Day
11/5 End of 1st Quarter
11/6-7 No School – Teachers workshop
11/11 No School – Veteran's Day
11/13-14 ½ Days of School-Parent Teacher Conferences
11/14 "Operation Christmas Child" boxes due
11/15 1st Annual GCS Craft Fair, 9:00-3:00 p.m.
11/20 G.C.S. Open House



Parents, remember to set your clocks back one (1) hour on Saturday evening. Enjoy the extra hour with your children. See you on Monday morning!

Candy Bar Sale

The Candy Bar sale has finished and we will post the results next week.

ACSI Spelling Bee

Several of our students will be attending the ACSI Spelling Bee at Portsmouth Christian Academy on Nov. 13th. Please be praying for **Molly Morin, Kristopher Marineau, Emily Shaw and Sam Mendola** as they represent our school.



Do you have Audio Technical Skills?

Mrs. Robinson needs a parent with the technical skills and equipment to put a split track tape onto 2 CD's. She has a wonderful Christmas tape that she would like transferred on 2 separate CD's. Please call the school office if you or someone you know could do this for her.

Box Tops for Education

Thanks to all who sent in box tops. We will be receiving a check for \$112. Continue to save them for our next shipment in the spring. You can send them in to the school at any time throughout the year. Thanks!