

Kindergarten News
Mrs. Berry's class
January 9, 2012

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

This letter covers what we did last week as well as what we are doing this week.

Language Arts:

Sight words have & you

Short o sound as beginning and medial sound. Sound for f as beginning sound.

Blending sounds; students listen to sounds and tell me the word.

Segmenting sounds; I say the word and students tell me the sounds that make up that word.

Little books *On a Dot* and *We Fit*

Math:

Skip counting by 2's, and 5's.

Reading and writing numbers to 31.

Using estimation

Numbers on a calendar

Religion:

The Adoration of the Magi

The aim of this lesson was for the child to recognize and understand the characters of the Magi and King Herod. To understand that Jesus, even as an infant, is a king, and is feared by a "rival" king, Herod the Great. The final objective is for the child to understand the sequence of events leading up to the Nativity story and that this event actually occurs after the Nativity.

In addition, we reviewed sin as making a choice to do something we know is wrong. When we sin, we hurt ourselves, we hurt others and we displease God.

This week we are talking about baptism as the beginning and foundation of our union with God. Through the sacrament of baptism, we receive the gift of grace. Grace is God's own life. Grace makes it possible for us to act as images of god and makes us members of God's family. Therefore, grace helps us get to heaven.

Social Studies:

This is our last unit in social studies. Last week we learned about American Symbols and patriotic music. We learned the flag is the symbol of the United States. The bald eagle, the Statue of Liberty and the Liberty Bell all stand for freedom.

This week we will be learning about the American people. This will include immigrants, heroes from long ago and our leaders.

Special:

I am still missing six report card envelopes. If you still have yours, please return it. Thanks.

If you wish to have a conference with me, please return your conference form.

Homework is letter Mm; pages 30-31

Don't forget to send in Box Tops for Education, Campbell's soup UPC's and milk caps.