September 22, 2022

Dear Parents,

It was a great week with the kids. We participated in Meet You at the Pole. Eighth grade did a super job leading the event; their prayers were simple but beautiful. We did a little work in our writing folders as we practiced writing proper sentences using capitalization and punctuation rules. We also practiced compound words. We continued to work on chart 8 and soon I will introduce chart 9 in phonics. In math, we practiced missing number math, and we’re learning to combine dimes and pennies and will be adding nickels next week. Please practice counting coins at home.

This week we used our sense of taste to sample sweet, salty, sour and bitter tastes. We also tested our sense of touch by feeling some different grades of sandpaper and we felt the braille alphabet. We used our sense of smell by smelling a few secret items to see if we could identify each. Finally, we shook canisters to see if we could identify the contents using only our sense of hearing. The kids also closed their eyes, listened and then told me what I was doing.

Next week we are starting a short study of Johnny Appleseed. We will review the difference between fiction and nonfiction. We will be reading some short books on John Chapman (a.k.a Johnny Appleseed) and we’re doing some fun sheets for reinforcement. It is neat that he found a very creative way to serve the Lord with his life.

**I am sending home our new book report assignment with this newsletter. The report is due Tuesday, 10/4. The instructions are as follows:**

**A STORYBOOK HOUSE-**

**Fill in a book title and author in the blocks along the roof and color the house, windows, door and trim. Next, cut along the thick lines and fold along the dotted lines so the door and windows open. Glue the edges of the house to a piece of light-colored construction paper. Fold open the door and windows and write a description and draw a picture for the setting, the main characters, the problem and the solution found in their story.**

**A Look Ahead:**

**NEXT** Tuesday, 9/27 - Bible Verse & Family Activity Due (\*Correction on the Bible activity- instead of read Exodus 6-7, it should be \*Exodus 34:6-7).

**NEXT** Wednesday, 9/28 - Science Test on the 5 Senses (see the study sheet and the booklet we made)

Tuesday, 10/4 – Storybook House Book Report Due

Wednesday, 10/5 – Rams’ Race

Friday & Monday, 10/7 - 10/10 - Fall Break

**Homework:**

Spelling worksheet due Monday

Phonics worksheet due Tuesday

Math worksheet due Thursday

Daily Gram due Thursday