

St. Mary School
 Kindergarten Weekly Newsletter
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Dear Parents,

This week, we continue to learn about farms and farm animals. The children have been working hard at centers to learn about all the things found on a farm. The farm theme is a relevant theme to lead us into the next two weeks activities relating to Thanksgiving.

Star of the Week:

Ben was our “Star of the Week”. He brought in a storm trooper toy, a light saber, a soccer trophy, a Disney book and his family. Ben’s favorite thing about being “Star of the Week” was being the line leader.

Learning Center Highlights by Theme

<p style="text-align: center;">Mrs. Wishy Washy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to <u>Mrs. Wishy-Washy’s Farm</u> • Retell the story by gluing the pictures in the correct scenes • Practice the correct formation and sound of the letter Gg • Listen to “The Cow that Laid an Egg” and “Cock-a-Doodle Whooooo” • Arrange farm animals by size • Use invented spelling to write the names of farm animals • Create a farm scene with animals 	<p style="text-align: center;">The Little Red Hen</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to <u>The Little Red Hen</u> • Illustrate favorite ending of the story • Identify character related to each scene • Practice correct formation and sound of the letter Ff • Listen to <u>Music in the Night</u> • Practice addition • Identify things that are baked and label each item • Arrange pictures in order beginning, middle, and end
<p style="text-align: center;">The Pig</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read leveled readers with short i words • Practice high frequency words here and this • Listen to <u>The Grumpy Morning</u> and <u>The Scarecrow’s Hat</u> • Reinforce short i sounds in the short a and short i game • Practice building words by providing the missing letter • Reinforce patterning skills • Identify middle sound in short i words and attach them to the pig page 	<p style="text-align: center;">NEXT WEEK</p> <p><i>Next week we will be focusing on the First Thanksgiving. We will learn about the Native Americans and the Pilgrims.</i></p> <p><i>Please look for the paper regarding our Feast with the First Grade.</i></p>

Something special happened in our classroom:

This week we had Mrs. Calderwood, Kate’s mom, come in as our Mystery Reader. She read The Littlest Matryoska and Little Hoot. The children loved hearing these two stories and seeing Kate’s Matryoska dolls.

Help Needed: We are looking for a volunteer to help on Mondays and Tuesdays from 10:30-12:00. If you are interested, please send a note or an email.

