

St. Mary School
Kindergarten Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents,

It is great to be back in school! We hope that you all had a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year's Day. The children are getting back into the swing of things after the vacation. This week we started the process of Assessment. The children will receive a Progress Report at the end of this month.

Star of the Week:

Grace was our "Star of the Week". She brought in an American Girl doll, a snake stuffed animal, a teddy bear that she got for her birthday, a peacock stuffed animal, and her family. Grace's favorite thing about being "Star of the Week" was enjoyed doing the calendar and holding the flag in the morning.

Learning Center Highlights by Theme

<p>New Year's Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to the book <u>Happy New Year</u> • Make a wish for the New Year • Identify ways to celebrate the New Year • Sequence numbers 1-25 to complete a dot-to-dot penguin • Sequence the months and associate symbols with each month • Learn a <i>Months of the Year</i> song 	<p>Epiphany</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to <u>The Story of the Three Wise Kings</u> • Identify a special gift they have received • Sequence numbers to create a star for the Three Wisemen • Use visual and spatial discrimination to complete the gift using pattern blocks • Make a snowflake out of Q-tips and glitter • Listen to <u>Follow that Star</u>
<p>What Will the Weather Be?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to <u>What Will the Weather Be Like Today?</u> • Respond to the story by illustrating their favorite type of weather • Identify beginning and ending sound B • Listen to <u>Caps, Hats, Socks and Mittens</u> and <u>The Twelve Days of Winter</u> • Use computer programs to explore seasons and seasonal changes • Reinforce correct formation of the teen numbers • Play a game relating holidays and activities to each season 	

Looking Ahead: *No School –January 18th (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)
 *Progress Reports sent home with students – January 28th
 *Catholic Schools' Week - January 30th – February 5th

Lost and found: Two children are still missing short sleeve white uniform shirts. If you happen to have a shirt that does not belong to your child, please send it in with your child. Thank you!