



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We have had a very productive term of combined academic work, socializing, and learning together! The students have been cooperative, happy and engaged in all aspects of their school life. They are to be commended for their teamwork and willingness to help each other.

This month, we are busy preparing all our Advent activities, as well as Christmas celebrations at school. I will send home any last minute reminders, otherwise we seem to be on track for three weeks of giving, sharing and celebrating together.

REMINDERS

- Students should be reading regularly for 15 - 30 minutes per night.
- Students are expected to complete 20 - 30 minutes of homework every night. This can consist of revision of classwork, (especially math) working on projects and finishing classwork.
- Please sign the homework planners every day. Students are encouraged to use their planners as organizational tools, noting any homework tasks, reminders and work due. They are also useful for communication between home and school.

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

Math - Students practiced using compasses and protractors. We studied how to measure using circumference, diameter, radius, angles and pi. We have also reviewed fractions and decimals. Regular math worksheet drills are used to reinforce and consolidate basic skills. Christmas math activities.

Reading - Novel study: "A Wrinkle in Time", reading with others, independent reading. Completing a book review.

Writing - Journals, creative writing, spelling and grammar activities. Christmas language activities.

Art/ADST - Painting on canvases with acrylics, Christmas crafts.

Science - Atoms and molecules, compounds, conducting science experiments.

Christian Education - The meaning of Advent, the liturgical year.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

December 1 - First Day of Advent

December 2 - Advent Assembly in church @ 2pm

December 4 - Virtue Assembly @ 1115am

December 5 - Multicultural Fair (0900-1145am, all classes welcome.) Shared lunch to follow.

December 6 - Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Red & Green Day - Mass @ 0900am)

December 12 - Christmas Store

December 13 - Secret Santa. Reports go home

December 16 - Christmas Concert Dress Rehearsal @ 0930am

December 17 - Christmas Concert Performances @ 1230 & 7pm

December 18 - Cookies & Choir 1pm

December 20 - Christmas Sweater Day/1145am dismissal

December 24 - Children's Mass @ 5pm

BACK TO SCHOOL ON JANUARY 6th (Full Day)

Please contact me if you have any questions about our busy December schedule. 😊

Best regards,

Jean Garcia 🌲