

4th Grade News

Merry Christmas!!!! It's the last week before school is done for the year, and we couldn't be more antsy! We have been pretty busy here in 4th grade. We are busy practicing for the Christmas Program, making Christmas crafts, learning about Advent, creating science experiments, and oh yeah, learning too.

The Christmas Program was on Wednesday and we worked so hard to give you the best show we could. We couldn't have done it without Mrs. Trout and the fifth graders. They really showed us what we have to look forward to next year.

We have had fun making special Christmas crafts and presents for some very special people. Christmas isn't just about the presents though, it is about Jesus. We learned that Advent is a time to prepare for Jesus' birth and for his second coming. We have been looking at an online Advent calendar and learning many different things that go along with Christmas time. This week we put a flame on the pink candle, which is the third candle.

We are also trying different science experiments that involve melting ice cubes on a fry pan vs. a plastic cutting board, creating crystallized snowflakes, and looking at what a balloon does to tinsel when they both have a "charge."

For Reading this week, we have been reading many stories about snow or Christmas and then creating a story

map about it. We had to identify the main characters, the setting, and what happened in the beginning, the middle and the end. We even created some Mooseltoes to go along with that story. They turned out pretty amazing!

In English, we are learning about commas, and that they mean to take a pause. Such as where they should go, where, they should, not go, and that they are the most commonly used punctuation mark.

We continue to work on expressions in Math and how they can help us out in the real world. One of our story problems this week was about cookies in a bakery that five bakers baked in 6 batches of X number of cookies. We easily knew how to go step-by-step to figure out the problem.

We would like to wish all of you and the rest of the families a very merry Christmas and a very happy New Year. See you next year in 2015! Have a great Christmas Break. With lots of cheer, Mrs. P. and the 4th graders.

IN 16 Days:

- School Resumes Mon. January 5.
- Our class mass Thursday January 8, 2015
- 2 hr early out Friday January 9, 2015

FUTURE:

- End of second quarter. Friday January 16, 2015

Spelling

1. however
2. mountain
3. mound
4. scout
5. shout
6. couch
7. towel
8. ounce
9. coward
10. outdoors
11. flowerpot
12. scowl
13. browse
14. announce
15. hound
16. trout
17. drowsy
18. grouch
19. eyebrow
20. boundary
21. cauliflower
22. foundation
23. surround
24. allowance
25. counselor



Christmas Program



Apple Pies

