

4th Grade News

Oct. 23-27

Happy Halloween Everyone!! It is almost that time and we already celebrated by dancing the night away on Wednesday. We saw many amazing and unique costumes. We will be celebrating on Tuesday with a class party in the afternoon. Students are allowed to bring school appropriate costumes and a snack/treat to share if they wish. These are not necessary though. We **DO NOT** have any food allergies in this class if you are wanting to bring a treat.

This week in Reading, we read a selection called Letters Home from Yosemite. After reading the story, we did a little research and created an acrostic poem with a partner. We also watched a video all about Yosemite National Park and it was so cool. Did you know that it is located in the Sierra Nevada Mountains and is about the same size as Rhode Island? It also is the home to many beautiful waterfalls, the largest active glacier, and the largest and oldest species of tree in the world. The giant sequoias can grow to over 300 feet tall and 40 feet around, and can live more than 3,000 years!

In English, we are learning about complex sentences. A complex sentence as two clauses, one of which is a dependent clause and cannot stand alone. The dependent clause needs the independent clause in order to complete the sentence. We call the dependent clause a "cliffhanger" *because it leaves us hanging and asking questions.* (Those bold words are the dependent clause of that sentence.) We continue to work hard on our writing, grammar, and English skills.

We continue to work on our 10 Commandments. We learned hand signals to go with them to help us remember the correct order. We are able to recite them all with only a tiny bit of help from Mrs. P. God gave Moses the 10 Commandments to share with everyone so everyone knows how to live by the laws to love God, others, and ourselves. Ask us about the 10 Commandments, and watch and listen as we recite them to you.

Spelling

1. monkeys
2. friends
3. plays
4. supplies
5. taxes
6. holidays
7. months
8. companies
9. costumes
10. sandwiches
11. hobbies
12. daisies
13. delays
14. scratches
15. counties
16. teammates
17. memories
18. bunches
19. batteries
20. donkeys
21. eyelashes
22. ambulances
23. trophies
24. secretaries
25. inventories

NEXT WEEK:

- Oct. 31 Class Halloween Party
- Nov. 1 All Saints Day Mass
- Nov. 3 NO SCHOOL

FUTURE:

- Nov. 6 Picture Retake Day
- Nov. 10 End of 1st Qrt.

We had our class mass this week, and we did pretty good. Next week, we have Mass on **WEDNESDAY** as well as Thursday. It is All Saints Day, and you are invited to join us at church at 8:30. We also have the opportunity to dress up as a **SAINT** on Wednesday, after Mass of course.
-Mrs. P and the 4th Graders



Letters from Texas!!

Halloween Dance

