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All's Well at ASDS!



Thank you for all of your support and cooperation when it comes to keeping the little people that you share with us safe. We continue to be COVID-free and are grateful that we can be open to serve your children and your family. Our days are busy, and our hearts are full. Christmas is just around the corner, and this month will be filled with a rich variety of experiences and activities. Once again, we wish to express our gratitude for each of you and your precious children, as well as, for your and our continued health and well-being. May each of us remain vigilant as we proceed though the holiday season so that we can continue to spread love, joy, and learning at All Saints' Day School.

Holiday Program is December 15th

We are excited to be going into the Holiday season! Please be sure to mark your calendars for Wednesday, December 15



@ 6:00 p.m. Rehearsals for our Holiday program are in full swing, everyone is taking part in this production. The church is getting decorated, the jingle bells are getting a serious work-out, and costumes are coming out of storage. Angels and reindeer are joining in the fun; even our youngest will get an opportunity to show off. You do not want to miss this. It brings me much joy to be working with your children and I thank you for allowing me to share the gift of music with you and your family. Jingle all the way! Ms Claudia

Returning Families Registration Packets for Fall 2022 Arriving Soon!

We will soon be releasing the registration packet for the 2022-23 school year! As with past years, there is a Materials and Fees discount for returning families who register prior to the opening of *Registration to the Public* in January.

The good news is we have listened to you, our Day School parents, and we will be extending the school day by 30 minutes beginning in the fall! Our new school day will run from 8:30 – 12:30. After School Explorations will continue be offered several days a week; enabling you to provide your children with an additional hour of "Learning Through Play" as desired or needed.



ASDS Does and Archeological Dig!

After conducting an informative Teacher Inservice for the ASDS staff on October 18th, Maury Joy, retired Gifted Resource Teacher from John B. Dey Elementary School and All Saints' Parishioner, returned to do an archaeological dig with our students on November 10th and November 17th. The whole purpose of the dig was to explore for the discoveries we have in our own backyards. Maury's husband had built a grid just like real archeologists use! After digging carefully, the students

were able to unearth artifacts that have actually been found in our surrounding neighborhoods! The children were very excited to share and discuss how the Native Americans would have used the arrowheads, pottery, and the animal antlers that they discovered. They made predictions on how the people who lived in our area 16,000 years ago would have lived, worked, and eaten. Just the idea that they are living on top of history was an amazing concept for them to try to wrap their minds around! Maury also shared the book <u>A River Ran Wild</u> by Lynn Cherry to give the students an idea of how the land would have looked before all of the changes it has been through, as well as and the importance of all of us taking care of it. We are so fortunate to have Maury here at ASDS!



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Ms. Stephanie & Ms. Leslie

The Sea Otters had a busy November! We learned about the fall harvest, Pilgrims, Native Americans, and what it means to be thankful. We made lots of fun crafts, reviewed the letters, T,Y,B, and S and even did some yoga. We also had a wonderful time with Mrs. Joy, who taught us about a Native American tribe who lived behind John B Dey Elementary School. She read us a story and we got to be archaeologists and dig for artifacts. It was a super fun activity! In December we will celebrate all things Christmas. Happy Thanksgiving!















November flew by. We studied the letters and the letter sounds of Tt and Gg.

Tt was all about Thanksgiving! We learned about how Thanksgiving came about. Talked about The Pilgrims' and The Native Americans' big feast. We actually had a big feast ourselves with chicken nuggets, green beans, corn, stuffing, mashed potatoes, rolls, cookies and juice boxes. We had a blast. We went around the table and shared what we are thankful for! Our Tt treat was yummy Twizzlers.

Gg is for giving and being grateful. We had the best treat for Gg, ever!! Teacher Devin made Grilled Cheese Sandwiches! They were so delicious.

We continue practicing writing our names and our letters and numerals. We practice counting every day by counting how many days we've been in school! We are up to 53 days! It's going by so fast! Lots of fun things are planned us for our holiday season!





脊 Ms. Sandra, Ms. Beth, & Ms. Terry

Starfish students were busy during the month of November learning about the letters T, G, and B, the numbers 5 and 6, colors blue and brown, and the triangle shape. Our themes were about Thanksgiving and Baking. Each day during Circle Time we sang about the seasons, weather, months and days of the week. Our pattern for our calendar was owl, deer, and fox. Each day the students had to determine which animal came next in our pattern as we counted the days in November. We came up with words that started with our letter of the week, counted our number of the week and sang the triangle song. Thanksgiving was our theme throughout the month. We made a Thankful Turkey for our classroom door. Each feather mentioned something each student was thankful for. Moms and dads were mentioned, but so were monster trucks and trains! We introduced Thanksgiving words on our word wall. Turkey, mashed potatoes, cranberry sauce, pumpkin pie were a few that were mentioned. We read many books about Thanksgiving and sang, <u>Five Little Turkeys</u>, I'm a Little Turkey, and <u>Thanksgiving Feast</u>. We danced to an action song called, <u>Turkey Freeze Dance</u>. We created turkeys by making a process art project that included fall watercolors, salt, construction paper and feathers.

Since there is a lot of baking going on throughout the holiday season, Starfish students spent a week doing nothing but baking for the letter B. They made chef's hats and wore them each day while we were baking. We made homemade bread with blueberry jam, banana bread, a funfetti Bundt cake, blueberry muffins, and ended the week with biscuits with honey butter. The students learned about different baking utensils and we visited the church's kitchen and learned about different parts of a kitchen.

We ended the month with a fabulous classroom feast for our Friendsgiving. We had chicken nuggets, mashed potatoes, pumpkin muffins, fruit, cranberry sauce, stuffing, baked apples, green beans, and pumpkin pie for everyone to enjoy during our feast.

November went fast, but Starfish students got a lot done and did a lot of learning. We can't wait to see what December brings.



🍉 Ms. Karen & Ms. Patsy

November was a short but busy month for the Sea Turtles. We learned about autumn and Thanksgiving. Our art projects included stained glass window leaves, turkeys, and marble painted place mats. We were lucky to have Maury Joy come in to teach our class about Native Americans. During this lesson the class preformed an archaeological dig for fossils and found many items that the Native Americans from this area would have used. Thanks Maury! We go outside to play and take nature walks every day when the weather allows so make sure your child is dressed appropriately as the weather gets colder. Our month came to a close with our Thanksgiving Feast and the Thanksgiving Holiday. We hope everyone enjoyed the time off to spend with their families!





🚰 🔌 Ms. Claudia of the Music and Art Studio

After listening to 'Harold and the purple crayon' the Starfish class went to work and created their very own adventure with purple crayons. This collaborative piece of art will cover our table until January.



In music class we explored string instruments in November by looking, listening and playing. The violin was especially fun since we all got to play on it.



The Stingrays followed directions and created a turkey! The hardest part was deciding what to glue on the body, there were so many choices! No two looked alike!.



The Sea Otters class created turkeys with loose parts turkey drawing. Each one turned out differently, during art.



We also played on the lap harp, everyone sounded and looked angelic. Did you know that a concert harp has 47 strings and 7 foot pedals?



📌 Maestra Mercedes

¡Hola! It has been another busy month in your children's Spanish class. During November we have continued to review our Spanish colors and numbers. One of the favorite videos this month has been this video that combines both concepts! <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZiNFXntWOJw</u> Children in the Sea Turtles and Starfish classes love how it starts slowly and it gets faster and faster as the video progresses. It's a good way for them to learn numbers and colors singing along to the video. We'll continue to practice, practice and practice colors and numbers throughout the year! The older groups are learning to sing along to another video, which sings the numbers all the way to 20. It's repetitive but fun for them, and some of the students have almost mastered it already! <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zzhHrQbHZMA&t=76s</u> We had so much fun coloring "pavos" (turkeys)! The children did very well picking the correct color from their crayon bags and following my directions, to color the correct feather of the turkey! I can tell you that it was not an easy task and they really mastered it! As always, we have practiced vocabulary about our bodies by dancing and singing at the end of each class. It's the perfect ending for a fun time learning Spanish!

Thank you for allowing me to be a part of All Saints' Day School and your children's early education. Hasta pronto!! Maestra Mercedes Commented [CF1]:



Coach Jess of Kid Fit

Happy Thanksgiving! It's the most wonderful time of the year!!!! The holiday season is here! Holiday themed classes are the BEST. And the kids enjoy them, too. This month was all about turkeys and fall sports! We even had our very own Turkey Trot! We played Turkey tag, launched turkeys from our parachutes, picked up leaves and played some football. The weather is getting cooler, so please remember that they will be outside as much as we can! Next month we will be doing ALL the Christmas things! Happy Thanksgiving!! In Health, Coach Jess



For the Fridge...

| Date | Kids' Version | ACtivity | Notes |
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| December 9 th and 10 th | | Santa's Gift Shop | Please send in 2 "re-gifts" until December 8 th |
| December 15 th @ 6:00p.m. Wednesday | | Holiday <mark>Music</mark> Program | More to come |
| December 17 th Friday | | Classroom Parties and Last Day of Classes | Look for information re: how you can help! |
| Monday, December 20 th – Friday December 31 st | | Winter Break | Enjoy your Holidays! |
| Monday, January 3 rd | | Classes Resume | Welcome back! |