Upcoming Events

- October 19- End of the Term
- October 24- Picture Retake Day
- October 24-25- Parent Teacher Conferences
- October 27- Barn Sale at St. Mary Parish
- October 29- Scholastic Book Orders DUE
 - October 31- Halloween Party
 - October 31- Non-Uniform Day
 - **November 1-** All Saints Day Living History 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
 - November 2- Kids of the Cross Meeting

Next Week

- Our Unit Eight Spelling Test will be Tuesday. Bingo Sheets are due Wednesday.
- Students will have a Simple Solutions Quiz over
 lessons 29-32Thursday.
- Students will have a Ch. 3 Math Quiz over lessons 1-3 Friday.

Virtue of the Month

Orderliness

"For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ." Colossians 2:5

Upcoming Classroom Parties

If you are planning on attending any Halloween parties or just popping in to see costumes, please make sure that you have completed a Background Check form as well as completed Virtus Online training.

Background Check Form:

https://www.stmaryschoolcharlotte.org/documents/2018/7/DOL%20Background%20Check%20Release.pdf

Virtus Online Link:

https://www.virtusonline.org

Helpful Video Link:

https://www.screencast.com/t/bvkBSr4ZhfWM

This Week's Focus

Phonics- This week students focused on words with the long *a* sound spelled *ai* and *ay*. Ask your child why we refer to these words as 'rainy day' words.

Reading- This week the class started to take notes on theme. We learned that theme is what sticks with you after you finish reading a story. We compared theme to the bubble gum that can stick to you after you blow a large bubble.

Writing- This week students continued to work on writing interesting leads for their own personal narratives. We also added dialogue to our narratives and learned how to properly punctuate dialogue in a classroom scavenger hunt.

Spelling- The focus of Spelling Unit 8 is the long *a* sound spelled *ai* and *ay*. Both the challenge and regular list were used this week.

Math- This week students completed Chapter 2 which was all about addition. Next week students will take the pretest for Chapter 3, this chapter focusses on the operation subtraction.

Religion- This week the class finished Unit 1 of our new religion series. We completed lesson 7 and lesson 8. These lessons focused on the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Heaven. Students were able to create their own kingdoms in one of our classroom activities. Ask your child the name of their kingdom and at least one law that they made for the people in their kingdom.

Science- The class completed our second science unit about magnets, static electricity, and magnetism this week. As we will be starting quarter 2 next week, we will be shifting our focus to Social Studies until the third quarter.

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