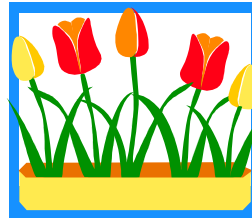




BENRUD BULLETIN

May 2010



Curriculum Covered

Math Math in May has been mastering division and introducing fractions. Understanding breaking a whole into parts is what it is all about. Using manipulatives has helped make the understanding of this more visual and concrete.

Language Arts In language class the third graders learned subject-verb agreement and the correct use of negatives in sentences. We then reviewed all the parts of speech learned this year by diagramming sentences. Another review required students to identify words as different parts of speech and color them

accordingly - creating a visual of fruits.

Their final activity was writing a paragraph about their "perfect vacation." These were then shared with the class.

Reading Our reading skills focused on steps in a process, setting, visualizing, plot, and realism vs. fantasy. As always, we learned new vocabulary for each story that we read.

Science In science we finished our study on energy and began our unit on Earth Science. We studied the Earth's surface, different kinds of rocks and minerals. We erupted

a volcano and demonstrated an earthquake. We also got an introduction to the solar system.

Religion Understanding the creed and its importance began our May religion classes.

Learning about the Church's mission to the world finished our religious study for the year.

Social Studies Students did research to find the countries from which their ancestors originally came. Pretending that they were emigrating to a new place, trunks were packed carrying their most valued treasures. A family crest depicting each family's traditions and origins was created.

Mission Statement
Centered in Jesus, St Gabriel Catholic School is committed to excellence in developing our faith, academics, and services. (revised 2008)

Special points of interest:

- ☺ Out of dress code for the rest of the school year
- ☺ No mass the last week of school
- ☺ June 3—Last Day of School; Yearbook given out. Early dismissal. Prayer Service at 11:15 to celebrate the school year 11:30 dismissal
- ☺ **Have an AWESOME summer.** Enjoy your children and do fun things. It has been my pleasure to teach them this year. Each one of the is precious and contributed to making my year wonderful. God bless and protect your families over the summer.
- ☺ PS Don't forget to read and practice your facts.

Highlights of the month

Field trip to The Cathedral and Lambeau Field. The cathedral was amazing and our tour guide very informative and interesting. Lambeau also was very interesting. We got to run out of the tunnel to music feeling like true football player. We even caught a glimpse of Aaron Rodgers leaving practice.

Out of dress code, Field day, Science Fair, MAP testing, and the talent show Seton buddies and playing frisbee golf and patiently waiting eggs to hatch.