



The Buss Stop

Reading

In Reading, the students have traveled to a logging camp in the great north woods of Minnesota, to the Pampas of Argentina, and they have survived a tornado! They have worked on skills such as drawing conclusions, generalizing, predicting, constructing meaning from context, and vocabulary, in an effort to improve understanding. We also read the book *Sarah, Plain and Tall*.



Math



Fourth graders continued to use basic facts and patterns to multiply using mental math. They estimated products by rounding numbers and regrouped ones and tens to multiply. They moved on to multiply by two-digit numbers. They learned how to determine if their answers were reasonable through the use of estimation. They are now working on the steps of long division. Keep studying those basic facts.

Language Arts

The Catholic Daughters essays and poems have been sent to be judged. Our grammar focus has been on using correct verb tense and recognizing and using adjectives. Each student listed 10 adjectives about a photograph. After all of the pictures were displayed, our lists were read and we played detective!



Science

We continued to study the Human Body and concentrated on the Sense Organs. In studying the eye and nose we did some fun experiments.



We then studied ways to keep our different systems healthy. We finished with study nutrition. We read and studied the information on food labels. We started studying matter and the different ways it can change. It was fun.

Social Studies

We just completed a project through which we learned about the symbols of our state. As our state dance is the polka, we even had our own polka party! We are doing research on the internet to learn about Wisconsin state parks of our choice. Watch for our work in the hall.



Religion

Fourth graders learned that we are called to be witnesses to the Kingdom of God. We do this each day by following the Ten Commandments and living the Beatitudes as Jesus did. We are now beginning our study of the Holy Spirit and how he helps us to live holy lives.

