



2011-2012 2nd Quarter Day School Highlights:

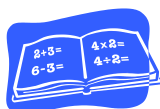
Kindergarten:

- Twice a month the kids visit Timber Hills' Alzheimer's unit for the Reading Buddies program. Both kids and elderly enjoy this a lot.
- In Science, we learned about living & non-living things, learned about what animals need, and learned about plants.
- In Math, we learned about #'s 1-30, geometric shapes, symmetry and equal parts. We also did two graphs with the lower and upper graders.
- In Phonics, we finished the alphabet sounds. We are now reading short vowel words, some sight words, and some high frequency words.
- In P.E., we worked on tossing balls and bean bags, balance, drop kicking, and dribbling a ball.



Grades 1-4:

- In Bible History, we studied the Israelites' captivity, plagues, and escape from Egypt.
- Science 3 & 4 experimented with plants and learned what they need to grow.
- Reading classes are discussing the setting, plot, character development, and author's purpose in stories.
- Gr. 1-4 wrote "Shepherd Stories" describing life as a shepherd. These stories can be viewed outside of the Lower Grade classroom.
- Art class brought many Christmas projects including bead angels, paper towel roll poinsettias, paper weaving placemats, and foam Christmas figures.
- Math 1 worked on addition and subtraction facts, place value, and number comparisons.
- Math 2 added two digit numbers with regrouping.
- Math 3 is learning multiplication facts and Math 4 is multiplying 2 digit factors.
- Music 1-2 is working on body percussion patterns and using them as ostinati in chants and songs, singing and identifying music in AB form, and reading and writing rhythms using eighth, quarter, and half notes.
- Music 3-4 learned about conducting, 'la' based music, and sang and identified music in ABA form.
- Social Studies 1-2 learned about being good citizens and about famous



citizens and leaders in history.

- Science 1-2 learned about the seasons, distinguishing between farm, wild, and zoo animals, and about matter in it's forms of solid, liquid, and gas.



Grades 5-8:

- In Language, studied verbs, adjectives, and adverbs. We also wrote compare/contrast essays and personal narratives.
- In Science, studied rocks and minerals, weathering and erosion, creation vs. evolution, matter, energy, heat, and sound.
- In Social Studies, studied the Caribbean and Central America, Southern Europe, Australia, New Zealand, the Pacific and Antarctica, ancient China, and ancient India.
- In Math, studied decimal multiplication, division (whole and decimal numbers), number patterns and properties, factors, multiples, prime numbers and factors, fractions, organizing and displaying data, geometry, linear equations, inequalities, systems of equations.
- All grades read novels in reading.
- Music 5-8 worked on reading and singing rhythms including dotted quarter notes and ♪, learned to write major and minor scales in different keys, and learned about and listened to Christmas sections from Handel's "Messiah".



- In P. E, learned football and basketball skills.
- Continued studying Old Testament Bible History and the Ten Commandments.
- A new Smart Board was installed. Students and Teacher are learning how to use it and enjoying it a lot!



As a whole school, we enjoyed the Children's Theater presentation of the Wizard of Oz. We organized and held the Fall Carnival. Everyone had fun playing the games and winning the prizes. This quarter we also celebrated Book Week. Children enjoyed many activities encouraging a love for reading including guest readers coming in to read to the classes. Thank you! The school's LEGO robotics team competed in the local competition. They improved from last year and thoroughly enjoyed



themselves. The children also went Christmas caroling and held a Christmas party. Thank you for the Christmas greetings and gifts. The school is very thankful for all the support that it gets from the congregation.