

Mr. E's December Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Guardians

Seasons Greetings!

First, it is important that all students have a pair of indoor shoes so that we can keep our classroom and school clean and safe. Please send a pair with your child if you have not already done so.

In religion we began preparing for Advent by discussing its meaning. Advent comes from the Latin word meaning "coming." In class we have been learning that Jesus is coming, and Advent is intended to be a season of preparation for His arrival. Advent is meant to be a period of self-preparation. To do this, students have been thinking about ways to help and serve others and have begun performing daily "good deeds."

We continue to use Dreambox during our computer periods to support the students in math. It was my suggestion to many parents during interviews that they have their child go on Dreambox nightly for 15-20 minutes. Login information was sent home in September and again last week.

In math, we are beginning a unit on measurement. Our emphasis will be on selecting and justifying appropriate units when measuring (Are metres or centimetres the better choice when measuring my hand?), conversion of units when measuring (100 cm equals 1 m), time intervals and elapsed time.

In language we continue to focus on good paragraph writing including proper spelling, grammar, and punctuation, along with word choice. Any chance you give your children to write will help them.

The St. Leo Christmas Social will take place on the evening of December 19th. More information on the social will follow, but please look for a note that went home regarding the Christmas Raffle basket that our class will be donating. Our theme is Sweet Treats and Chocolates. Any donations will be appreciated. You can find a copy of that letter, along with any other that are sent home, on our class D2L site.

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