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## This Past Week Happenings:

*On Monday, we began our morning with Advent prayer, learning the meaning behind Advent, and creating our very own Advent wreath (which are displayed in the classroom). Every morning we will reading part of the bible Christmas story, hang an Advent ornament on our Christmas tree and rip a chain link off to see what our daily deed will be. Students also created a St. Nicholas project too!

*Students were introduced to the Act of Contrition prayer on Wednesday. An important note came home regarding this prayer as well. All $2^{\text {nd }}$ grade students are to begin memorizing this special prayer in preparation for their First Reconciliation. Please see the parent note for more details.

## Some of Our Weekly Accomplishments

| Reading | Religion | Social Studies | Math |
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| *Book Bags <br> *New stories: "Ah, Music!" and "There's a Hole at the Bottom of the Sea" <br> English <br> *Your child became a surgeon for the day and performed "Contraction Surgery!" So fun! <br> Writing <br> *"If I Had A Reindeer..." | *Asking for forgiveness \& receiving penance <br> *Did your child tell you about the magic sin trick we did on the smart board on Monday? Ask them about it. <br> *Learned about steps you can take to strengthen your relationship with God <br> *Feast of the Immaculate Conception <br> *Introduction to the Act of Contrition and puzzle activity <br> (Parent note came home on Wednesday about this). <br> *St. Nicholas *The story of Zacchaeus <br> Spelling <br> *Unit 12 ~ Words with -ai, -ay | *The 13 Colonies \& Colonial Jobs <br> Science <br> *Used pony beads to represent atoms in a solids, liquids, and gases project <br> *I hope you heard about the delicious root beer floats the students enjoyed on Wednesday. We discovered that these tasty treats include all 3 States of Matter! | *Weekly <br> Math Game: <br> "Reindeer Race" <br> *Chapter 4 Test <br> *Intro to Chapter 5 ~ Place Value <br> *Thousands, Hundreds, Tens, Ones <br> OVER |

## Reminders \& Updates

*December book report information came home on Tuesday. This information can also be found on our classroom website. Students will be creating a cereal box book report this month.
*We will be making our gingerbread houses this MONDAY at 10:00 AM in our classroom. Please enter school through the school office. Sign in and then Mrs. Hively will direct you to our classroom. The students are so excited! This activity should take approximately one hour.
*Winter MAP Test dates: January 8 at 10:20 (ELA), January 15 at 10:20 (Math), and January 18 at 12:20 (Reading). Please try to refrain from any appointments or absences during this time. Thank you!
*How is your child doing with his/her Helping the Hungry Jar?
Next Week's Happenings ~ December 11-15

| Monday, $11^{\text {th }}$ | Tuesday, $12^{\text {th }}$ | Wednesday, $13^{\text {th }}$ | Thursday, $14^{\text {th }}$ | Friday, $15^{\text {th }}$ |
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| *Math Game Supplies Due <br> *Gingerbread Houses 10:00 AM <br> *Music | *Spanish <br> *Ar $\dagger$ <br> *Music <br> *Book bags go home (due Thursday) | *8:30 AM Mass \& Adoration All are welcome! <br> *Activity Period: Rosary <br> *Buddy Activity | *Book Bags Due <br> *Gym <br> *Library <br> *Spanish | *Spelling Test <br> *Computer <br> *SSR <br> *Gym |

*Have a super weekend and I look forward to seeing many of you on Monday morning. God bless! ~Miss Colwin ©


Check out the super fun photos attached!

Did you know that a root beer float contains all 3 States of Matter? Students had fun listening to the fizz (gas) and enjoyed this yummy treat during science class.


Our classroom turned into an operating room on Thursday as students performed "Contraction Surgery" during English class.



