



What Wild Things Are Going on in K and 1?

12/16/24

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Can you believe it is the last week of school before Christmas?! What a joy-filled week we have ahead of us! As we prepare for our Christmas celebrations, let's give thanks to our Lord for fulfilling his promise of salvation by coming to earth as a little baby, living the perfect life we could not, taking on himself the punishment for the sins we

do every day, and then rising from the dead – proving he has won the victory! We reflect and remember that his humble birth in Bethlehem was just the first step leading to his ultimate sacrifice on the cross. Keeping all this in mind, I wish you all a truly blessed CHRISTmas!

The children did a wonderful job on Saturday! Thank you to all the parents who provided cookies as a special treat after the service. I love seeing and hearing the children praise our Lord in church. To God be the Glory!!!

The **St. John Children's Christmas Eve Service is on December 24**. We will be presenting the service on at 6:30p.m. with the Sunday School children of St. John. Please make sure your child reports to the basement of church by 6:15 that evening. **They should be ready for church**, so please make sure they have used the bathroom before coming downstairs.

In **Kindergarten** reading we are continuing to learn about the letter Tt, and the three best friends Tic, Tac, and Toc. I am sending home a page with words the children have learned so far. The idea is to have your child use the page to sound out and read the words to you. We have been using these kinds of pages in our reading classes, and the children have been asking to have their own copies to take home and read to their parents. I love their enthusiasm! They have learned so much already since school has started, kindergarten is such an exciting year!

Our **first graders** are continuing their unit learning about long vowels. This week we are learning about the "super e" found at the end of many words, which makes the vowel long (as in cake, bike, bone, and flute). This week's spelling test will be on **Thursday, December 19** since we are having our Christmas party on Friday.

Grade 1 Spelling List Tested on 12/22/22:

vowel-consonant- super e words:

1. game
2. same
3. ride
4. side

memory words:

5. said
6. only
7. you
8. out
9. of
10. here

On **Friday, December 20**, we are having our classroom **CHRISTMAS PARTY!** For our party day we are having a **PAJAMA AND FUZZY SOCKS DAY!** Students may wear their coziest (clean) pajamas and socks for the day at school. If they are Christmas themed, it's even better!

During our classroom party we will have a gift exchange. Please try to keep the gift cost around \$5. Girls should bring a gift appropriate for a girl, and boys for a boy. **Please mark the tag, "For a boy" or "For a girl" and who it is from.** We will be playing a game to decide who will be getting each present. We have started decorating our classroom for Christmas and our tree is up. Children can bring their gifts for the exchange anytime starting tomorrow. **Please make sure your child's gift for the exchange is here by Wednesday, Dec. 18.**

If any parents would like to help with our Christmas party, I would welcome the help! I'm looking for people to help plan a few (3-4) games for the children and make a craft (or two, if they are short crafts). **We'll be starting our party after chapel, about 9:00, and go until lunch time, at 11:45.** It is an early release day, so school dismisses just after lunch recess, at 1:00. **If you are able to help out, please let me know via email or a note. Thanks!!**

We are looking for parent help providing snacks for our party day. There is a Sign-Up Genius on our school website (www.stjohnpeshtigo.org) to let us know how you can help out. Look under the "Sign-up Genius" tab and follow the link to the sign-up. All the special treats and snacks will be shared as a buffet of deliciousness for the children of our school. The school will provide hot lunch that day.

This week's hot lunch of pizza will be provided by the school on Friday. There is no charge for the lunch, as so many families are already helping that day by sending in party snacks.

Have a wonderful week and a very happy CHRISTMAS!

Mrs. Myslik