

Mrs. Z's Busy Bees

News from the Hive



Our classroom collection of winter coats for the Knights of Columbus reminds us that cold weather is on its way! It's hard to believe that we are racing toward the end of October. We have been learning lots of fall and Halloween songs in Music, some we even dance to! Here is a peek inside our busy week...written, edited and brought to you by Third Grade!!

READING

This week we read a story called "Pop's Bridge." It is about a boy named Robert and his friend Charlie. Their Dads are working on the Golden Gate Bridge. Charlie's Dad is a painter and Robert's is a sky walker. A sky walker is someone who works on the wires and the beams. It was built very strong and painted international orange so it would blend in with the trees and surrounding hills. It also makes it stand out against the blue of the water. When it was built, people felt it was a good symbol of America since it showed America is strong like the bridge.

By: Kieran, Christian and Samantha

MATH

We are learning some algebra vocabulary and reviewing how place value is related to regrouping. We also talked about the word "reasonable" and what a reasonable answer might be when estimate the sums of large numbers. Next week on Tuesday we will be taking a math test. We are also adding in the hundreds. We are learning about solving equations for unknown numbers.

By: Oscar, Philip and Ryan

RELIGION

Good afternoon! This week in Religion we did the Rosary. We started the Glorious Mystery. Our vocabulary words are mission, ascension, pentecost, church and christians. We also learned a little bit about Moses. We're also reading this week at Mass and being gift bearers! We have been talking about Saints and Heaven.

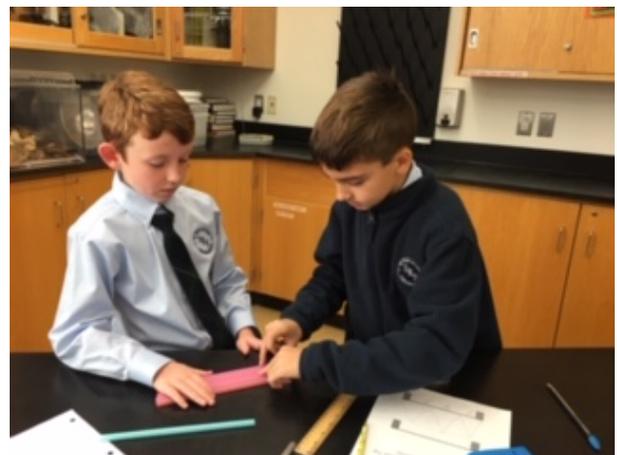
Have a nice weekend!

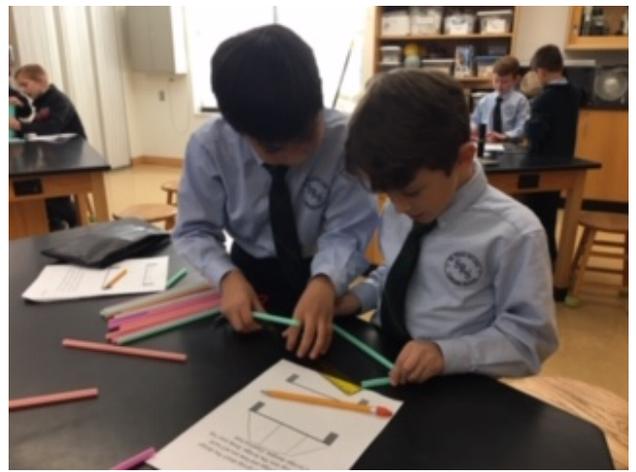
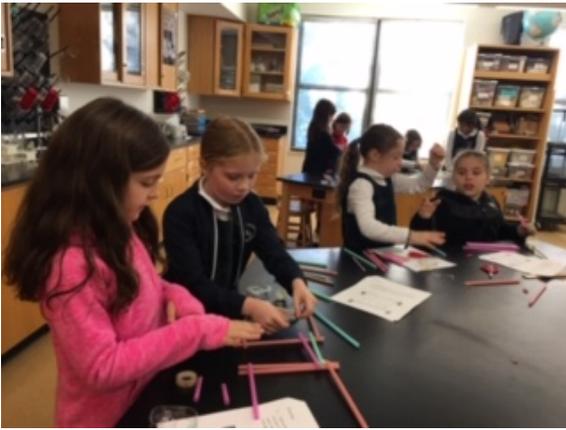
By: Avery and Zoe

SCIENCE

On Thursday we built bridges that had to span fifteen cm. and had to be able to be strong enough to hold our classroom mini pumpkin. We started by learning about different structures and then planning a design with our partners. After we built our bridges in the science lab out of milkshake straws and tape, we tested them in the classroom. Friday we will write up our lab in our Science Journals and see how much more weight our bridges can hold. We will also answer focus questions about what we might do differently next time or how we might change our design. We watched a video about how the Golden Gate Bridge was built. We also saw an experiment about how bridges made of paper are stronger if you make the paper into an accordion shape instead of just straight. Its because of the triangle shape of the paper. We took our test on force and motion, too. One of our questions was about what happens when a batter hits a baseball.

Here are some pictures from our STEM lab on Thursday:





By Liam, Luke and Major

Writing

We spent the week finishing our editing and publishing our personal narratives. We reviewed nouns and proper nouns and how to make our sentences more exciting. One thing we did was we highlighted our nouns when we peer edited and made sure we had adjectives in front of them. Friday we are going to start writing a spooky narrative story. We will invite our 7th grade buddies back on Halloween to scare them with our stories about a haunted house. We will make sure we use lots of adjectives and sensory words.

By Paige, Meadow and Evelyn

Mandarin

This week in Mandarin we learned Chinese characters for the numbers 1 - 10. We did a game on Quizlet to help us remember them. We played against each other and that would determine the winner. We also learned how to say the names of the four seasons in Spanish class.

Tomas, Kenneth, Lily and Lucy

Just a couple quick reminders to send in gently used coats for the coat drive. The classroom which donates the most coats wins a pizza party from the Knights of Columbus!

We are continuing to earn a bumble bee each time we get our Planner initialed. So **"bee"** on the lookout for your child's Planner - 10 bumble bees earns a

prize from our classroom prize bucket! Also be sure to check for corrected papers in your child's Take Home Folder.

Finally, next week's Spelling and Vocabulary words are attached. Have a wonderful weekend and thank you for all you do for us!!

With Love, Third Grade



SPELLING WORDS

Week of October 22, 2018

slight

mild

blind

fight

sight

pie

die

midnight

mind

tie

find

night

pilot

might

silent

frightening

lie

tight

VOCABULARY WORDS

stands

slammed

score

pronounced

fans

style

league

polish