

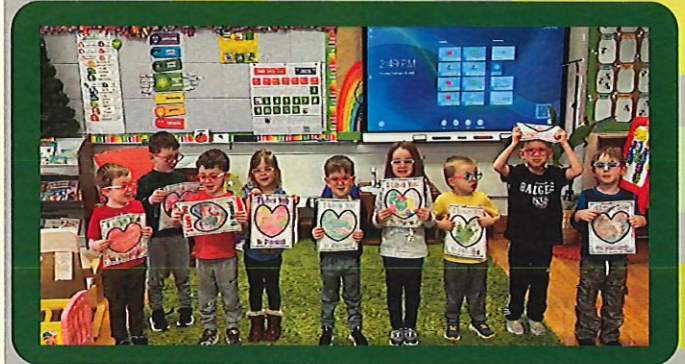
NEWS FROM THE 3K CLASSROOM

February 2025

OUR 3K CLASSROOM

February was an exciting month in the 3K room. The kids enjoyed passing out their Valentine treats that they shared with each other and they were all very excited to take home their Valentine's Day craft that they created at Starks. As we continue through the alphabet we ended the month of February with the letter R!

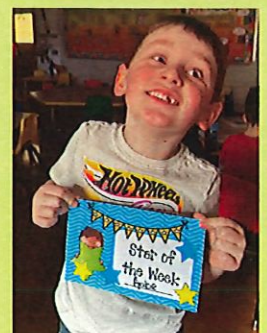
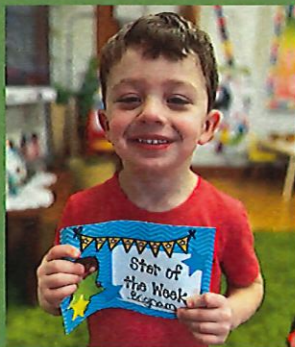
FACES YOU MAY KNOW



REMINDERS

I sent snow gear home to get washed, please remember to send it back so that your child has appropriate attire for outdoor recess.

As we continue on with the Star Student of the week I will be reaching out the week prior to let you know to watch for their packet to come home.



4K CLASSROOM NEWS

WATER COLORS!



Karlee and Chloe are assembling their tissue paper hearts for the laminator!

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Patrick's Day is coming soon!



WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

Catholic Schools Week

4K could not contain their excitement for the sweet treat raffle they worked so hard for.



Valentine Cards

Everyone was so proud of the cards they made for their mom and dad!



SHHHHHH....

4K is a lot of work!



REMINDERS

- Make sure we have all of our snow gear EVERYDAY!

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

"Keep learning. But, above all, keep having fun".

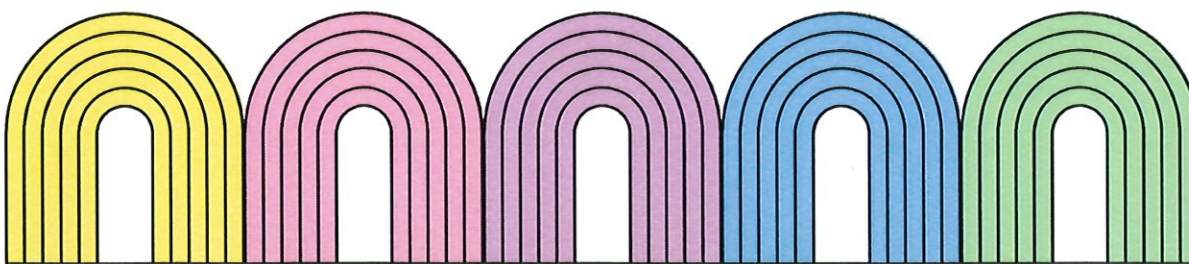
Greta Mae Evans

KINDERGARTEN NEWSLETTER

We recently celebrated the 100th day of school! The students celebrated by making different crafts that had 100 things. They made crowns that each had 100 stickers, necklaces that had 100 pieces of cereal on them, and monsters with 100 features! They had lots of practice counting to 100!

Next week, we will begin talking about Lent and what that means, we will also be celebrating Read Across America week and Dr. Suess's birthday!





LITERACY

The students have now met all of the Superkids! We will continue to learn letters, their sounds, and practice blending. Instead of focusing on what each Superkid likes to do, we will read about the adventures the Superkids go on!

Y

MATH

The students have been practicing addition and subtraction within 10. This week they learned how to represent teen numbers with equations. They are learning this by counting ten ones and then some more ($10+3=13$). We have been counting and practicing this by playing a matching and counting game. The students with ten ones find a partner with some ones, they then add them together to figure out how many!

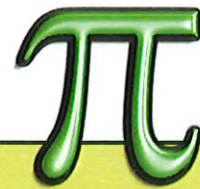
SCIENCE

The students have been working hard to figure out a weather problem. They are trying to figure out why one school's playground is a different temperature than another school's playground. The students used a model to represent the sun and the ground to see if the sun could be warming up the surface of the playgrounds.



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Grades One and Two

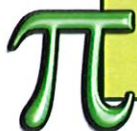


Lions and Lambs?!?!?!?

February came in like a lion and went out like a lamb...wait a minute, isn't that supposed to be March? From days too cold for outside recess-even some days too cold to come to school-to days of sunshine and melting snow. We enjoyed the last few days of February getting in a few last trips down the sledding hill and making a few snowmen with melting snow that was finally pack-y! We know the snow is not done-it IS Wisconsin after all-and we cannot wait to see what March has in store for us. Speaking of March, one of Mrs. Werner's favorite days of the year is in March. Do you know what it is? Hint: It is a Friday this year!

Academic Spotlight: Math

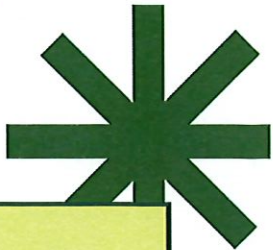
With the cold keeping us inside for too many recesses, we found some ways to get out of our seats or use manipulatives to help us learn. Of course Math is one subject perfect for this. Second grade used pattern blocks to explore the properties of shapes and first grade "rolled the dice" to set up some addition problems for a friendly competition as they learned about 2 digit numbers. Check out the photos!





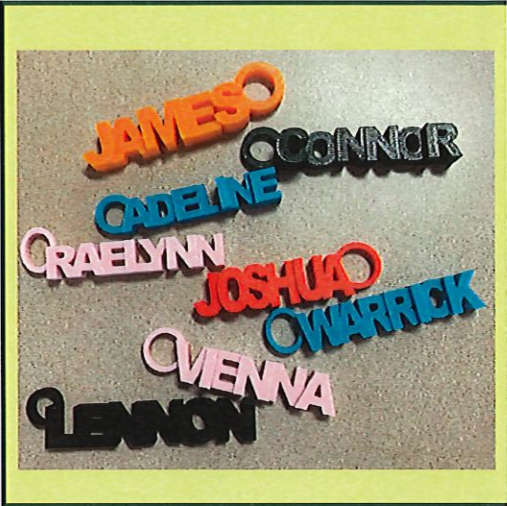
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Grades One and Two
(continued)



Just Tinkering Around

Sometimes we have to take a break from the routine of reading, writing and arithmetic and just tinker around. One way we did this was by learning how to use an app called Tinkercad. Tinkercad is a free web app for 3D design, electronics, and coding, trusted by over 75 million people around the world. Mrs. Werner set up a Tinkercad Classroom for us and taught us how to use the app to create our own name key chain. After converting our projects to .stl files, we shared them with her so she could print them on a 3D printer.



All you need is a
"what if..."



3RD AND 4TH CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

February 2025

Science

Now that we are in third quarter we have switched from Social Studies to Science. The Science that we are working on is called Amplify Science. In Chapter 1, students work to answer the question "How does a Tokay gecko get information about its environment?". Students are introduced to the idea that animals have sensory structures that help them survive. In Chapter 2, students investigate the question "How does light allow a Tokay gecko to see its prey?". Through interacting with the Vision and Light Simulation and reading the book *I See What You Mean*, students discover that light travels in straight lines from a source, reflects off objects, and then travels to an animal's eyes. In Chapter 3, students work to answer the question "How does a Tokay gecko know that it is looking at its prey?". Students learn that it is not enough to merely see something; one must know what one is looking at.

Religion

This month we are learned about Joseph. Knowing that Jacob was proud of all twelve of his sons but loved Joseph the best. His brothers were very envious of him and were not kind. His brother's came up with a plan to rip up him fine coat and throw him into a well. God allowed Joseph's brother's to do this to him because he was going to save his people in Egypt from the great famine that was going to take place. This Month we are also learning about Moses. Knowing that he was raised by Pharaoh. In the Bible, Moses and Pharaoh had a conflict over the release of the Israelites from Egypt. Moses and his brother Aaron pleaded with pharaoh, but the pharaoh was cruel and unwilling to let the Israelites go. Then God sent ten plagues to the Egyptians.

Upcoming Events

- March 14 - Stations of the Cross
- March 19 - Seven Sorrows & Seven Joys
- March 26 - Chaplet of Devine Mercy

CLASSROOM NEWSLETTER

February 2025

3rd Grade

English

In February we started a new English Unit it is Module 3: A New Home. Two of the books that we have read about are; Grandfather's Journey and Tea with Milk by Allen Say. These books have to do with being a foreigner plus traveling from Japan to California and from California to Japan.

Math

In Math we are on Unit 4 and have been working on Multiplication. It has been about Multiplying two digit by one digit numbers together. It is important to multiply the tens and ones digit followed by the two ones digit numbers together. After, we have moved into learning about division. Within the problems we know the total amount and the groups that there are or how many of groups that their are. As students they are suppose to find the missing number for the division problem.



4th Grade

English

For English, in the beginning of February we started Module 3: The Redcoats are Coming. In class we have been learning about different Perspectives from the Colonists and the British. Understanding why the Revolutionary war started and the cause that tok place.

Math

IN Math we have finished Unit 4 and our working on Unit 5. This Unit is about having one number and being able to multiply that number. After that we have been moving into measurement. Understanding the difference between centimeters and meters.



MIDDLE SCHOOL ELA

February 2025

What We Learned

5th Grade ELA

We dive deep into the impacts of the Civil War on boys during the first part of the novel, students found themselves trying to decide if they could walk in the shoes of boy soldiers in the Civil War and are working to convey their understanding of the text through their argumentative writing whether boy soldiers should have been allowed to fight.

6th Grade ELA

Adventuring into the unknown isn't all you'd expect especially when settling in a place like Jamestown. Through the module, the 6th grade are learning that in the 'New World' one can't stand on 'one leg' and there are many characters who influence success or failure. Students are synthesizing their study of Jamestown by writing choosing a side in terms of who is the most influential person to the main character of our latest novel.

7th Grade ELA

JFK, Malala Yousafzai, and MLK Jr. all influenced those around them in impactful ways. Their words inspired and persuaded action. Just like the characters in our latest novel *Animal Farm*, 7th graders are learning just how powerful language can be.

8th Grade ELA

What is love? That's the current daily debate in 8th grade English as we study different definitions and struggle with how they apply in our own lives. Then add in a bit of Shakespeare to the mix and you have one BIG discussion that might just change perspectives (or not)! I'll let you know next month.

Skills Corner

The Wit & Wisdom Curriculum takes up much of the hour with ELA, writing, and grammar. Therefore, we are shifting to a daily skills practice for each quarter.

- Q1 > Focus on creative journal writing
- Q2 > Focus on spelling
- Q3 > Focus on handwriting
- Q4 > Focus on typing & digital citizenship

Note from Mrs. H

Students are in full swing with the modules and working through Module 3 with a focus on historical fiction and argumentative writing.

Students continue to more deeply understand literature from a global perspective as they use many different forms of media in their study including (novels, speeches, articles, art and video) that connects to their learning.

Contact Info

Please reach out if you have any questions :)

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MS. WOZNY'S

newsletter

RECENT EVENTS

We enjoyed our excursion to **Forest Springs** at the end of January. It was a perfect day for tubing, skiing, and ice skating!

STEAM Night was an evening of hands-on construction and problem-solving. And maybe some candy hearts!

The middle school students learned about **invasive aquatic plant and animal species** from a guest speaker.

Congrats to the **2025 Quiz Bowl** team for placing 2nd in the recent competition!

REMINDERS

ASH WEDNESDAY - MARCH 5

GRADED FORENSICS PERFORMANCE - MARCH 25

END OF 3RD QUARTER - MARCH 28

IN THE CLASSROOM

Middle School Science:

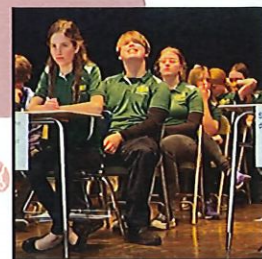
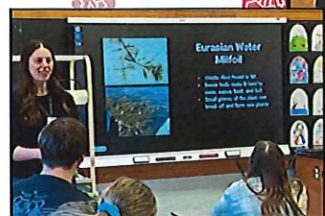
The 7/8 graders have been studying the phases of the moon and lunar eclipses. The next lunar eclipse will be March 14th! The 5/6 graders started learning about how El Nino effect different areas. We are not currently experiencing an El Nino event, by the way.

Middle School Religion:

The 5/6 class has been learning the details of the Holy Eucharist. They recently shared their memories of their First Communion with the 2nd graders. The 7/8 graders are focusing their attention on the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. Just in time for Lent!

Middle School Social Studies:

The 5/6 graders have been learning about the formation of the U.S. Constitution and the challenges of the U.S. as a new nation. The 7/8 class just finished learning about the rise(and fall) of Napoleon Bonaparte.

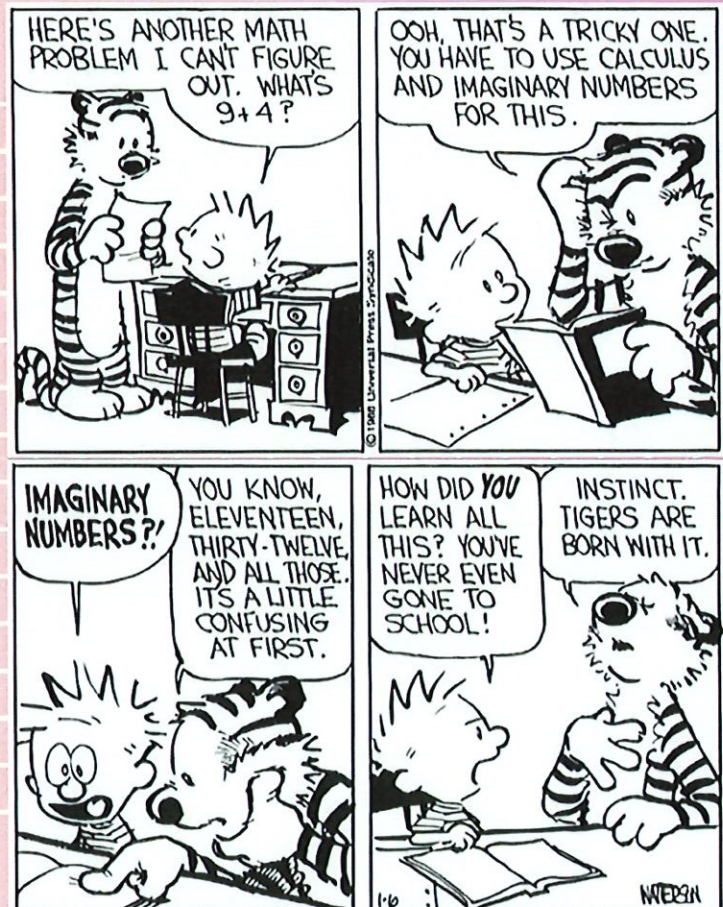




Grade Five continues to practice with numbers, including decimals, and their place values to round, compare, order, add, subtract, multiply, and divide. When checking out expanded form or when using diagrams, they can start to recognize that in a multi-digit number, a digit in one place represents 10 times as much as it represents in the place to its right and one TENTH of what it represents in the place to its left. An exploration problem contemplating large numbers, lead to the discovery that the pentagon no longer holds its record of over 8 decades of being the world's largest office building. In recent years, that record was taken over by the Surat Diamond Bourse, a diamond trading floor in western India. At over 6.7 million square feet, the Surat exceeds the area of the Pentagon by over 55,000 square feet.



Grade Six is about to apply what they have been practicing in Unit 5 to problems set in areas of our lives such as nature and sports. Like Grade Five, they need to continue to have an understanding of place value in the base-ten system as they compute sums, differences, products, and quotients of multi-digit numbers with decimals. We will be applying what we have been learning to questions about track, tennis, and the Amazon rainforest.



MS MATH



Grade Seven started Unit 6 with balancing hangers and tape diagrams as aides for solving equations in one variable. After learning methods for solving those equation types, we have been discovering how try-check-revise is a strategy to use to now solve inequalities and that we need to watch out for those negatives.



Eighth Grade has plenty of vocabulary to master in Unit 6 Associations in Data. Here's a start to the list of the terms that they will be using as they apply to sets of data: scatter plot, association, positive, negative, linear, non-linear, cluster, outlier, two-way table, bar graph, segmented bar graph, and categorical data.

🏆 Congratulations to our Quiz Bowl team on a job well done!! It was my pleasure to assist with practices. Thank you for all your efforts!



🎵 When there are multiple classes combined practicing a bucket drumming pattern of the "March" from The Nutcracker, then chopsticks will do. But watch out! The melody may stick in your head for the day. 4K thru 8 have been checking out more of Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky.

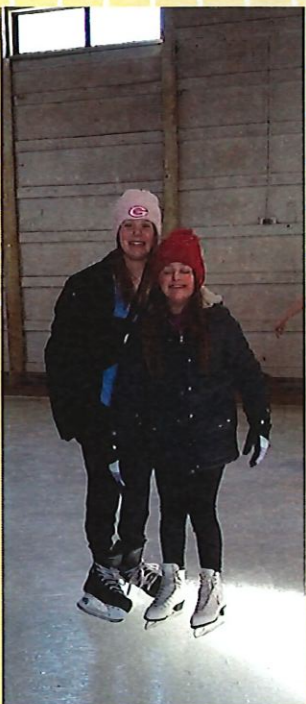
🎵 As we march on, perhaps you'd like to join us as "The President's Own" hosts its annual "Sousa's March Mania," a tournament pitting 32 musical marches against each other. Read Sousa's MARCH MANIA 2025 music notes with clickable links within this pdf <https://tinyurl.com/yh385dmw> to hear performances by the Marine Band, America's oldest continuously active professional musical organization that was founded in 1798 by an Act of Congress. Then beginning March 3, vote here at <https://tinyurl.com/Mania-Voting>.

**32 MARCHES. 4 WEEKS.
1 CHAMPION.
THE MANIA BEGINS MARCH 3, 2025.**



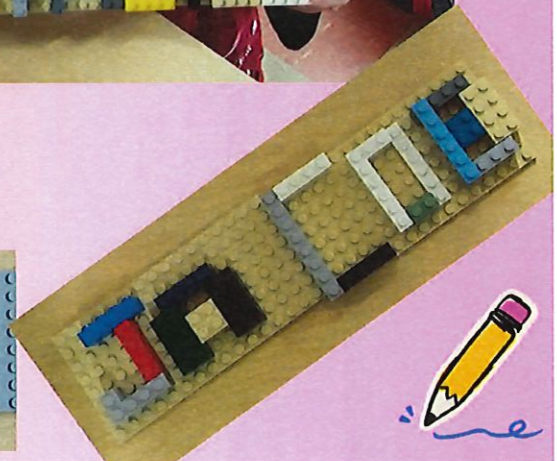
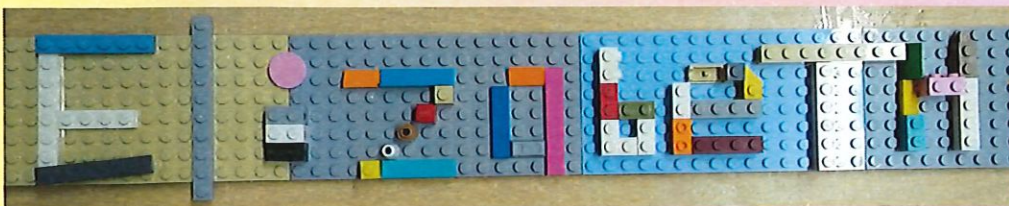
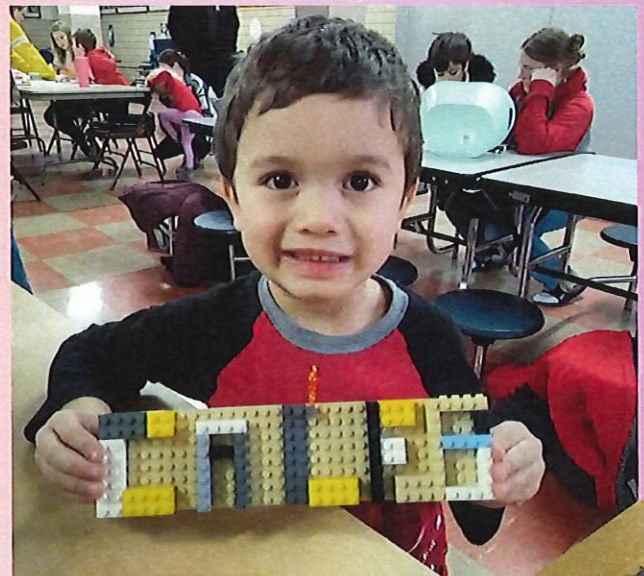
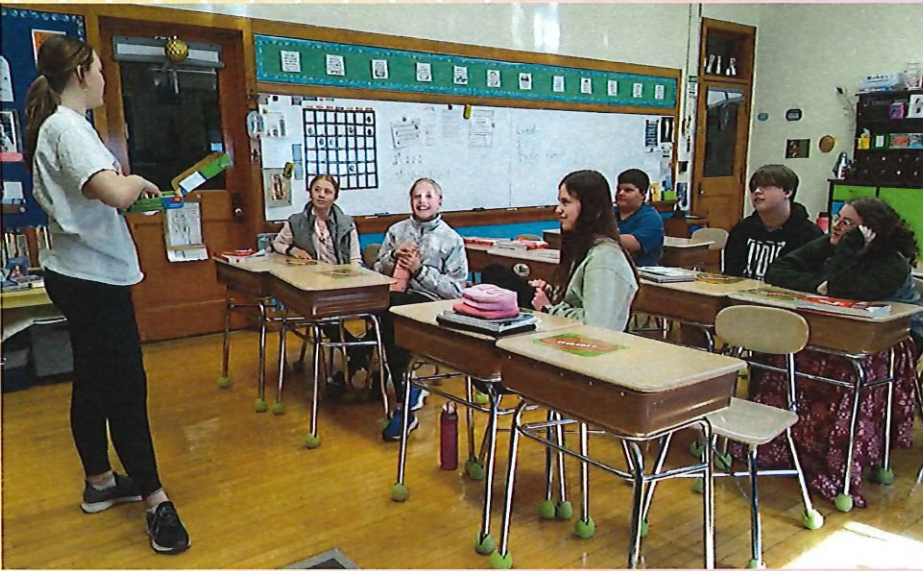
Chillaxin' on thru CSW, Super Bowl, & STEAM

We bowled a game at the lanes, made a poster featuring our Saint and virtue, were blessed with a beautiful day at Camp Forest Springs, ...



Chillaxin' on thru CSW, Super Bowl, & STEAM~

We...played multiplication football bingo, and accepted LEGO building challenges.



Hello from Art

Few things warm my heart more than seeing children helping others and achieving great things. Students took a break from the masking tape animals to do just that. How wonderful to watch them make Valentines for the elderly in nursing homes and use their talents to make snowflakes and Valentines tea lights as decorations for the Father Daughter dance. Fortunately they were then able to then finish up those animals too.



As for achievement: Exciting News!

Some of our younger students placed in the fire safety contest.

4K:

Karlee – 2nd place

Spencer --3rd place

1st Grade:

Vienna – 3rd place

Each will receive a framed copy of their poster and a gift certificate.

Although none of the older students placed this year in fire safety, all participated in at least one other contest (Music K-8, Renaissance Reading and Home is where the Habitat Is). We await the official word from other contest sponsors so there is still an opportunity. Well done!

As we soon move into the lenten season, we have been concentrating on the body. That is to say we have been learning correct proportions of the face and figure. Some featured our birthday priest Father Alan: Happy birthday Father!



Blessings! Mrs. Wierzba