



We had a busy week in third grade wrapping up the end of our second trimester! Friday afternoon at our Mission Party, we had a great time raising money for our missions - the Water Project and Feed My Starving Children.

Here are some of the things we did in third grade this week:

In religion, we finished our chapter on how the Church prays at all times. We learned that we could pray by ourselves; with others and the greatest prayer we know is the Our Father. Next week we will begin talking about our next season in the Church year- Lent. We will talk about our Lenten promises and put them on the bulletin board in our classroom as a daily reminder.

In math, we have continued our unit on fractions. This week we learned about representing and locating fractions on a number line. We also took our mid-chapter quiz and the kids did great! I am impressed with their quick absorption of fractions.

In science we have been learning about magnetic force. On Tuesday, we did a magnet investigation and had a fun time seeing what items were magnetic and surprised to find out that coins were not! We learned about how you can control friction and the meaning of friction. We found out that there are slippery substances (oil, soap, water) that can reduce friction.

In language arts, we read *Beatrice's Goat* by Paige McBrier. The story was a narrative nonfiction story with beautiful illustrations. This illustrated book offers the true story of how a poor African girl was able to attend school after receiving a goat as a gift through a special international project and then sell its milk to get the money needed to buy her books. We discussed how lucky and the good we can do in our own lives to help others. Our spelling pattern for the week was words with inflectional endings. We worked on subject pronouns too!

### Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, February 22 - Daddy/Daughter Dance at Transfiguration @ 7pm
- Wednesday, March 1 - Ash Wednesday Mass in the Big Church at 9:30
- Pop Tab collection for Ronald McDonald House begins
- Friday, March 3 - No Fremont Bus/Report cards go home
- Monday, March 6 - No Fremont Bus
- Tuesday, March 7 - 6:00-7:30pm - Feed My Starving Children
- Thursday, March 9 - Trimester awards after Mass
- Friday, March 10 - Ladies Bunco Night at SMA (a fun night-make sure to sign up!)
- Sunday, March 12 - Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast at Santa Maria
- Tuesday, March 14 - Happy Birthday, Kelly!
- Thursday, March 16 - Jimano's Pizza Night!
- Monday, March 27 - Spring Break begins
- Monday, April 3 - School resumes
- Wednesday, April 5 - Reconciliation
- Friday, April 7 - Barnes and Noble Night

