



We had another busy and wonderful week in third grade. On Tuesday we enjoyed the beautiful weather while at the Fremont Township Garden! We planted potatoes, brussel sprouts and lettuce. We also picked spinach, dill and transplanted some flowers. On Thursday we enjoyed the afternoon sunshine while we had our picnic lunch on the front lawn. At our spring concert, the kids did a fantastic job! I am impressed on how well they did with their recorders.

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

In religion, we discussed that we gather together to praise God. We learned that the Introductory Rites are the first part of the mass from the gathering song until we listen to God's word. Then we proceed into the Liturgy of the Word where we listen and respond to God's Word. We discussed how the first reading and psalm are from the Old Testament and the second reading and gospel is from the New Testament. Following the Liturgy of the Word begins the Liturgy of the Eucharist when the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ.

In math, we learned about fact families (related facts) earlier this week. We know that multiplication and division are inverse operations too! We also learned the rules for dividing with 1 and 0. Students are able to divide by 2 and 10! I'm so amazed on how well they have picked up division and the strategies we can use.

In science we learned the difference between an animal cell and a plant cell. Plant cells have chloroplast (to make their food) and a cell wall - neither of which an animal cell has. We also discussed the needs of plants - sunlight, water, minerals and air. With this, we were able to make a great connection to our time volunteering at the garden to see the needs of plants.

In language arts, we have continued our novel study on Charlotte's Web. We began reading chapters 16, 17, and 18. It was time to take Wilbur to the county fair, but only after he had a buttermilk bath to sparkle. Charlotte was able to convince Templeton to go to the fair by telling him about all the leftover food he could find - what rat wouldn't love that! Our spelling pattern for the week was words with various endings -er, -al, -le, -ar, and -or. Next week will be our last week of spelling.

#### Upcoming Events:

- Monday, May 22 - Reading Day - bring your favorite book to read
- Tuesday, May 23 - Fremont Garden & bring your favorite stuffed animal
- Wednesday, May 24 - Favorite t-shirt (with school bottoms)
- Thursday, May 25 - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Mass & unique object day
- Thursday, May 25 - 3<sup>rd</sup> graders bring flowers to Mary at Mass**
- Friday, May 26 - No PM Fremont Bus
- Friday, May 26 - Field Day & Last Day for hot lunches
- Monday, May 29 - No School (Memorial Day)
- Tuesday, May 30 - Field Trip to the Grove (dress casual & pack a lunch)
- Thursday, June 1 - Awards after Mass
- Friday, June 2 - Last Day of School & No Fremont Bus

