



# Mrs. Boyer's First Grade Newsletter

January 6, 2017

## Upcoming Events

Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>: Pizza with a Purpose

Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>: Special Lunch

Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>: No School- MLK Jr.

Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup>: Mass - some of the first graders will be reading and presenting gifts

Sunday, January 29<sup>th</sup>: Catholic Schools Week Begins!

- Family Mass @ 11:45 am
- Open House following Mass until 2:00 pm
- Book Fair during Open House thru Tuesday

Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>: Class trip to the Book Fair

Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>: Band Concert

Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>: Variety Show

## What We Are Learning

**Reading:** Students began their unit with fiction stories. We read The Mightiest and identified the characteristics of a traditional tale. Students recognized the lesson of the story being that kindness is more powerful than negative behaviors. Also we identified the meaning of plot and retold the story using the B, M, E model.

**Language Arts:** We are discussing special rules for writing sentences including the use of an exclamation mark.

**Math:** Students worked with place value to the tens.

**Science:** Students compared and contrasted winter to the other seasons.

**Religion-** We began our week with creating personal New Year goals. Students also discussed the three kings' travels to see Jesus.

## Notes

Welcome back in this New Year! I hope everyone had a wonderful break and stayed safe and warm! The students have been participating in AIMSweb testing similar to what occurred in the beginning of the year. The growth in the student's academics demonstrates not only their hard work at school but also your dedication to their education. Thank you for being a continued ally outside the classroom.