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Saint Mary School
Kindergarten Weekly Newsletter
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Dear Parent,

This week we discussed farm animals. The children heard some wonderful narrative stories about farm animals and also listened to a few expository texts which identified how farms work and operate.

Here are a few highlights from our week:

- Listen to Down on the Farm, The Cow that Laid an Egg, Cock-a-doodle-hooooo, The Little Red Hen and the Ear of Wheat, Mrs. Wishy Washy's Farm and There Was an Old Lady that Swallowed Some Leaves
- Create a class graph of our favorite farm animal (Horse was the most popular)
- Arrange animals by size
- Introduce the medial sound of i (like in pig)
- Identify sounds farm animals make in their *Barnyard Babble* booklet
- Reinforce completing patterns
- Practice writing the names of farm animals
- Use manipulative (pigs) to solve addition problems
- Reinforce the sound of G and I with the computer program *Splash Into Phonics*

Mouseketeer of the Week:

Elena was our "Mouseketeer of the Week". She brought in a Isla doll, flowers from her recital, dragon stuffed animal, a Dorothy doll and a puppy studded animal. Her favorite part of being Mouseketeer of the week was being the line leader.

Looking Ahead:

November 25th - Kindergarten Feast with the First Grader's

December 5th - Elves Workshop

December 6th - Professional Day (No School for Students)



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Helpful Information:

- The Kindergarten/ First Grade Feast is a wonderful tradition that we have done here at Saint Mary School for several years. Kindergarten students dress as Native American's and First Grade students dress as Pilgrims. We sit across from each other and enjoy a feast with friends. Please see the information sent home today in your child's folder.
- We know that it is early but we wanted to make you aware of a few things coming up next month.
 - Kindergarten students will visit Elves Workshop on December 5th. This is a magical day were all the Kindergarten students can purchase presents for their loved ones. An envelope will be coming home in the next few weeks where you can fill out the names of people that your child will be purchasing presents for and you can include either a check or cash for the items. Please feel free to reach out to us or your Host Family if you have questions about this event.
 - As a thank you to our 8th Grade buddies who have been helping us throughout the year, students should purchase a small gift for their buddies that we will give them when we meet right before Christmas. We will be making cards for them in class. In the past, some students have purchased an item for their buddy during Elves Workshop, which is one reason we notify you this early.
 - Kindergarten is participating in the Christmas Play. It will take place on Wednesday, December 11th. There will be a 1pm and a 7pm show. Students participate in **both** performances. We request that your child wear dark socks (Black or Navy) and dark shoes. Students also purchase a t-shirt, through the school, in a particular color based on the characters of that class. Information about this will come home after Thanksgiving but we wanted to make sure that you all knew about this in advanced for planning purposes.

