

# The Kindergarten Family Mailer



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Family, gratitude, and thankfulness are the true meaning of Thanksgiving!

## This Week, Kindergarten...



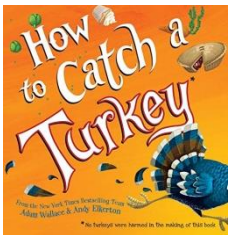
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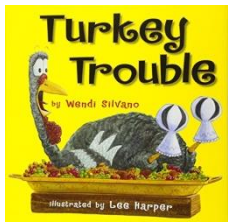
### LESSONS 45-48

Ff, "F" AS IN "F"ISH, WRITING Ff, RECOGNIZING Ff, SOUND OF Ff, READING: FAN, FIN, FILM, WORD LIST #5, COMPOUND WORD, MATCHING WORDS, TIM'S LOST FAN, CONSONANT BLENDS, SIGHT WORDS: OF, REVIEW OF TWIN CONSONANTS, MATCHING LETTERS, READING: OFF, LOSS, HILL, FILL, ASSESSMENT #10, READING: FAN, FILM, FLIP, LOFT, STIFF, HAT, FOG, FLAG, SIP, IF, OF, TO, HIM, HAS

## Books we have read:

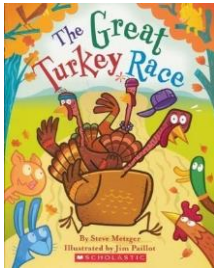


How to Catch a Turkey New York Times Bestseller! From the bestselling How to Catch series comes a festive turkey tale! A turkey is running loose in a school right before a Thanksgiving play. Can YOU help catch it? ...

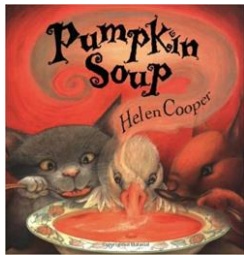


### Turkey Trouble

Turkey is in trouble. Bad trouble. The kind of trouble where it's almost Thanksgiving . . . and you're the main course. But Turkey has an idea--what if he doesn't look like a turkey? What if he looks like another animal instead?



The Great Turkey Race: Cassie, Wing, and Ollie all want to be the Thanksgiving Turkey! They decide to have a contest to see which of them Farmer Joe should pick. Will it be a happy Thanksgiving for all?



Pumpkin Soup Deep in the woods in an old white cabin, three friends make their pumpkin soup the same way every day. The Cat slices up the pumpkin, the Squirrel stirs in the water, and the Duck tips in just enough salt. But one day the Duck wants to stir instead, and then there is a horrible squabble, and he leaves the cabin in a huff. It isn't long before the Cat and the Squirrel start to worry about him and begin a search for their

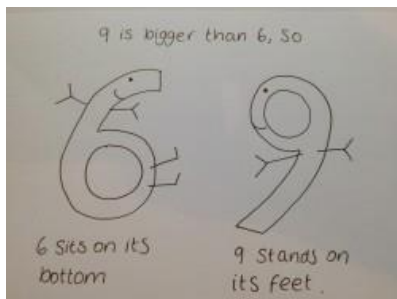
friend.



The First Thanksgiving The Pilgrims called the celebration the Harvest Feast. The Pawtuxet Indians thought of it as the Green Corn Dance. But the first Thanksgiving was much more than that.

## **Math: Chapter 4 Numbers 0-10**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yTeUqWGCKjA&t=34s>



When children see six and nine, they find it difficult to grasp the fact that six has the ball on the bottom while nine has the ball on the top. Some students are still struggling with top and bottom, so it is only logical that they would have trouble distinguishing between these two numbers. We have been explaining it like this:

**6 is the baby so he can't stand. When he is bigger like 9 he/she will walk. Do you walk on your seat or your feet? Well if it is on the seat it is small, baby 6 and if it is on the feet it is big, walking 9!**

## **Science:**



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=adKrNga8-Qs> In this educational cartoon for kids we explain briefly what stars are, how they vary in size, color and temperature. We show our Sun – closest star to the Earth – in comparison with larger stars such as: Sirius, Vega, Arcturus, Aldebaran, and other.

## **Social Studies:** The Story of Thanksgiving as told by Plymouth Rock:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch/?v=faUYJ9fMiGg>



**Art:** with Mrs. Hess “Torn Paper Fall Leaf Collage.” Collage and paper art are very important to children in this period because art helps them to develop their thinking, creative, imaginative, and problem-solving skills. Doing art develops their motor skills, hand and eye coordination, and helps them to make mental advances such as learning proportions.

**Spanish** with Señora Seay we continue to learn greetings; hello, “Hola!” “Buenos días” - Good day; Buenas Tardes - Good afternoon/evening is; Buenas noches - good night. Siéntense = sit down) and párense = stand up.



## **Religion:** God's Great Love

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LXH4YIbO4Ls>

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/269441990196524955/>



# Advent Wreath

**1st CANDLE** – (purple) **THE PROPHECY CANDLE or CANDLE OF HOPE** – We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises made to us. Our hope comes from God. (Romans 15:12-13)

**2nd CANDLE** – (purple) **THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF PREPARATION** – God kept his promise of a Savior who would be born in Bethlehem. Preparation means to “get ready”. Help us to be ready to welcome YOU, O GOD! (Luke 3:4-6)

**3rd CANDLE** – (pink) **THE SHEPHERD CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF JOY** – The angels sang a message of JOY! (Luke 2:7-15)

**4th CANDLE** – (purple) **THE ANGEL CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF LOVE** – The angles announced the good news of a Savior. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us! (John 3:16-17)

**5th CANDLE** – (white) **“CHRIST CANDLE”** – The white candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God, sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for his death, his death was for our birth! (John 1:29)

**Advent Begins on November 29 Get your advent wreaths and candles ready!**



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## Special Notes from Mrs. Chien

**Suggestion to help remember the real meaning of Thanksgiving.  
Play the Gratitude Game:**

It's family game night, Thanksgiving style. Play the "gratitude game," where players see who can write down the most things they're thankful for in one minute. The "winner" is the person with the longest list.

## 12 sight word activities using a lot of hands on learning:

1. **Make a sight word treasure hunt.**
2. **Find matching pairs of sight words.** Like the worksheets that you draw a line to the matching pair... but big.
3. **Jump and grab the sight words.**
4. Make an **I spy sensory bag** to spot the sight words.
5. A spider web caught the sight words! Oh-no! **Find the matching sight words on the web.**
6. **Sight word practice**, a game to get to the top of the stairs.
7. **Magic sight word learning.** What sight word magically appears? Can you name it?
8. Can you **spot the sight word** in the magazine? Circle it!
9. **Sight word cup crash** from Coffee Cups and Crayons
10. **Sight word speed racer game** from No Time for Flash Cards
11. **Sight word parking lot** from Juggling with Kids
12. **Sight word scavenger hunt** from Sugar Aunts

## Daily Prayers

Every day we say prayers in the morning and afternoon. The children are learning them and would benefit from reinforcement from home. Please continue to review the prayers with your children. Thank you for your help! Prayers can be found on the class website.

## Special Projects:

Our annual **Holiday Food Drive** has been taking all week to help the St. Francis Food Pantry. Non-perishable items will be collected for those in need of assistance this Holiday Season.



## 10 most needed items:

**Canned Meat or Fish**

**Soup**

**Canned Fruits and Vegetables**

**Peanut Butter**

**Pasta**

**Milk Products, non-perishable**

**Grain Products**

## Cereal

## Baby Food

**Non-food Items:** toiletries, including deodorant, soap, shampoo, toilet tissue, toothpaste and toothbrushes, shaving soap and feminine hygiene products. Other non-food items needed are cleaning supplies and diapers.

Thank you all for the items that have been coming in for the food pantry!

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### Quote of the Week:



## Chuckles and Heart-Warmers

One of the kiddo's shared that they were going to the dentist to have their eyes checked.

### Wish List:

### General Information



We go outside every day, weather permitting! Please make sure your child wears clothing appropriate for cooler or wet days, so he/she will be comfortable, especially as the fall days grow chillier. Clothing labeled with your child's name will help us to locate any lost items.



**Practice with snaps, buttons, zippers, and laces at home can help your child feel more confident dressing for outside when he/she is at school.**

**Oh, my goodness! "I" had "Dressy Bessy," when I was a little girl! TEACHES A CHILD TO ZIP, TIE, AND BUTTON**



## Bearemy Bear [on Amazon](#)



Please check to make certain that there is a change of clothes in your child's backpack to include: undies, socks, pants/jumper or skort. Please put clothes in a Ziploc bag labeled with your child's name.

## Pennies for Peru



The St. Francis School "Pennies for Peru" program was established in September 2007. This is an on-going monetary collection to aid the members of our Sister Parish in Peru. Thank you for supporting this very worthy cause.

## St. Francis collects Box Tops and My Coke Rewards



**EARN CASH FOR YOUR SCHOOL WHEN YOU...**

BUY IN STORE	BUY ONLINE
 <p><b>BUY</b> Box Tops Products</p>	<b>1 SIGN UP</b> on the app or at BTFE.com
 <p><b>SCAN</b> your store receipt</p>	<b>2 SHOP</b> online
 <p><b>EARN</b> Box Tops for your school</p>	<b>3 FORWARD</b> your digital receipt
	<b>4 EARN</b> Box Tops for your school

