

# Grade 1 Newsletter!

December 5, 2011

Snow has arrived! This week our school Mass will be on Thursday to celebrate the immaculate conception of Mary. Here's a peek at our week:

**MATH:** Students will continue practicing double facts, adding 1 to a number, and adding 0 to a number. We'll discuss "counting on" as a way to add up numbers. They'll also practice putting information on a bar graph and using pattern blocks to cover a design.

**RELIGION:** We will talk about the Holy Spirit, and continue to work on our Jesse tree for Advent. Father Jim will visit us this week too.

**READING:** I will be assessing the students this week on our past themes and skills, such as text organization/summarizing, noting details, making generalizations, consonant clusters, high-frequency words, and study skills.

**LANGUAGE ARTS:** Students will continue their phonemic awareness with the short *a* vowel sound.

**SPELLING:** Our spelling test on Friday will be a review from the last three weeks: this, of, say, eat, many, where, it's, walk, call

**SOCIAL STUDIES:** We will continue our unit on citizenship, talking about being a good helper and getting along with others. We will work on our geography skills of using directions.

**SCIENCE:** We'll continue learning about animals on how they get food, and where they live.

God Bless,  
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