



# Our 1st Grade Classroom News

The Week of December 5<sup>th</sup> 2016

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## Upcoming Events

12/6 1:30-2:00 St. Nicholas Day Lesson

12/8 8:45-10:00 Mass-Feast of the Immaculate Conception

12/17 8:00-11:30 Breakfast with Santa at LaSalle

12/23 9:30am Christmas Concert at St. Mary - Dismissal Immediately Follows

## Our Learning

**Reading:** This week the children continued their work in guided reading and many brought home their leveled readers for the first time.

**Social Studies:** Finished our study of the Wampanoag Indians of Massachusetts.

**Science:** Continued exploration of rocks at the new Daily 5 Wonder Table

**Phonics:** learned about the two sounds of TH - the voiced sound like in this and that, and the non-voiced sound like in thing and think

**Math:** addition facts and related addition or turn around facts -  $1+3=4$  and  $3+1=4$

Come in and see our Math about Me board featuring math facts!

## Your Child's Birthday

This week I discovered that **many** of the children do not know their complete birthdays. It is a **crucial** life/safety awareness skill that your school aged child know their birthday in both forms; the written date - ex: December 3, 2010 and the numerical date 12/3/2010. Please practice this skill at home.

## Giving Tree

In the spirit of Advent and Almsgiving our class is participating in the giving tree project sponsored by St. Mary's Church. We have been asked to help provide a Merry Christmas to a family with:

Two brothers - one boy is age 2, he wears a size 3T pant and 3T shirt and the other boy is age 4, he wears size 5T pants and 5T shirt.

You may purchase books

(recommended), clothes, or toys. Please wrap all gifts and place a tag on each package that says "2 year old" or "3 year old". All gifts are due to the classroom by December 19<sup>th</sup>. THANK YOU!



## Future Topics

Goods and Services

Jan Brett Author Study

Animal Shelters and Volunteerism