



# SPRING NEWSLETTER



Mrs. Novinsky - Grade 1

## From the Teacher's Desk



Spring is finally here. The year will be over before we know it! Grade 1 is working very hard. I am so proud of their progress. Thank you very much for continuing to send in supplies for our classroom. It is such a help! Please read with your child at home. This really helps their progress in school. Now that it is warmer, send a water bottle daily. Finally, a quick note, please work on shoe tying.



## Field Trip Fun

Grade 1 and Grade 2 will be going to the Connecticut Science Center in Hartford in May. More information to follow!



## Look What We Are Learning

Science: The class is currently studying animal parents and their offspring. Their structures and behaviors are a focus. In addition, they will learn how they communicate.

Social Studies: Symbols and traditions of the United States is our next stop. It will be fun exploring our history. From here the class will look at life today and long ago. We will study customs, cultures, and traditions on our nation.

Religion: We will be learning about the sacraments as well as the Eucharist. The children will study the parts of the Mass in addition, we will focus on Mary, the Mother of God.

Reading: We are currently in Unit 5 which is titled "Figure It Out". Our final unit has the concept of "Together We Can". All have interesting selections of various genres. The children are reading well!

Spelling: Our word study will include vowel combinations, three-letter blends, prefixes, and suffixes. The more the children are learning, the more words they can unlock. Oh how their word knowledge is growing!

Language: The children are learning about different kinds of adjectives. What a great way to add detail to writing! Adverbs will also be reviewed. We will cover pronouns as well.

Writing: Using our knowledge of adjectives, the children will try their hand at descriptive paragraphs. Then they will be writing narrative paragraphs. We also respond to our literature selections through writing prompts.

Math: The focus as we move into the fourth quarter will be extending our knowledge of addition and subtraction. The children will also study money and time. Any practice of these things that you can do at home would be greatly appreciated!