

Falcon Friday Feature

April 2022 Student Newsletter



- April 8th - Easter Skit, Band Concert, and Student Art Show
- April 9th - Easter Egg Hunt and Open House
- April 13th - Pie Shoppe Delivery
- April 13th-19th - No School, Easter Break
- April 17th - Easter Sunday
- April 25th-29th - Standardized Testing

Dear Seeds of Faith Families,
We have exciting news! We were voted "Best Private School" by the Indiana Gazette and the Blairsville Dispatch during their 2021 Readers Choice Awards. We were honored to receive this wonderful award which is on display outside the main office.



Teacher Update: Preschool

By Ms. Curren

APRIL WILL BE A SHORT MONTH, BUT IT WILL BE A VERY IMPORTANT MONTH IN OUR PRESCHOOL CLASS. OUR DECORATIONS AND CRAFTS WILL INCLUDE BUNNIES, CHICKIES, EGGS AND FLOWERS BUT THE EMPHASIS WILL BE ON EASTER, AND WHAT OUR SAVIOR HAS DONE FOR US TO GIVE US ETERNAL LIFE. WE WILL ONCE AGAIN BE HAVING TWO PARTY DAYS TO CELEBRATE, APRIL 11TH AND 12TH.

THE STUDENTS WILL BE MEMORIZING JOHN 3:16. THEY HAVE COMPLETED MEMORIZING THE REST OF THE VERSES FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 13, FOR A TOTAL OF 18 VERSES LEARNED SINCE THE BEGINNING OF FEBRUARY. I LOOK FOR EVERY OPPORTUNITY TO HIDE THE WORD OF GOD IN THEIR LITTLE HEARTS.

OUR BOOK NOOK CONTINUES TO BE A DAILY SOURCE OF COMFORT, ENJOYMENT, AND EDUCATION. WE ARE THANKFUL FOR THE DONATIONS OF BEAN BAG CHAIRS FROM THE CREEKSIDE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND MRS. NELSON. BLESSINGS TO YOU!

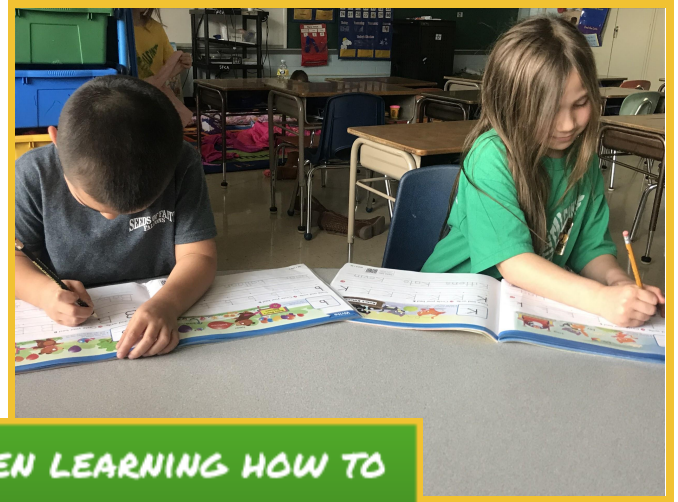
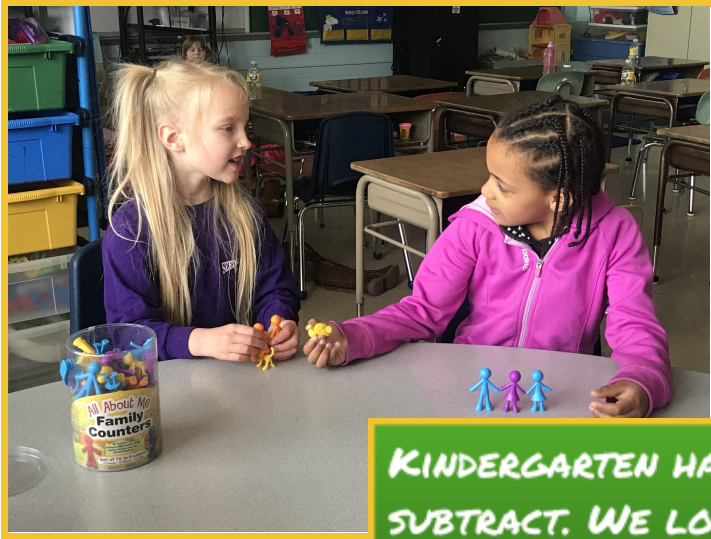
WE ENJOYED THE VISIT FROM TROOPER GREENFIELD. THE CHILDREN LEARNED SOME OF WHAT POLICE OFFICERS DO TO PROTECT US, GOT TO SEE A REAL POLICE VEHICLE AND HEAR THE SIREN, AND RECEIVED SOME REALLY NICE SOUVENIRS! WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO THE WILD WORLD OF ANIMALS SHOW ON APRIL 6TH. THIS ALSO WILL BE VERY EXCITING AND EDUCATIONAL WITH HANDS ON OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR CHILDREN. THE EASTER EGG HUNT WILL BE ON APRIL 9TH, WITH CRAFTS, TOURS AND SNACKS!

THE STUDENTS ARE CONTINUING TO WORK VERY HARD TO PREPARE FOR KINDERGARTEN. THEY ARE LEARNING NECESSARY LANGUAGE, NUMBER/MATH SKILLS, AND WRITING. I AM VERY PLEASED WITH ALL OF THE PROGRESS THAT HAS BEEN MADE!

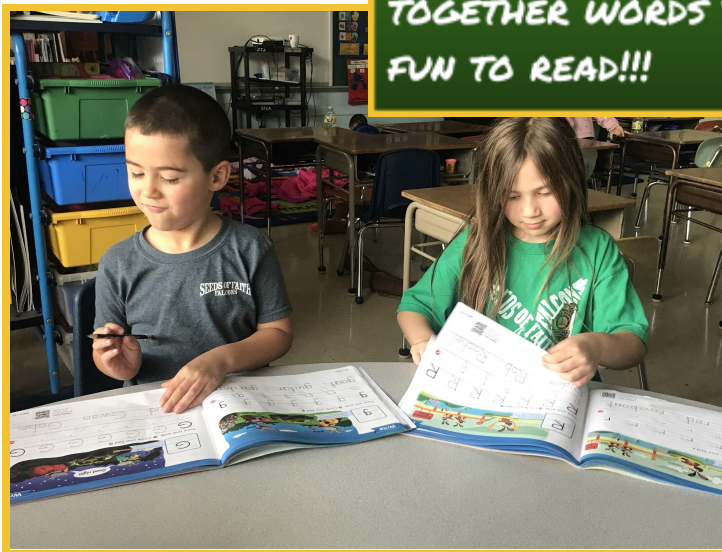


Teacher Update: Kindergarten

By Mrs. Marquez



KINDERGARTEN HAS BEEN LEARNING HOW TO SUBTRACT. WE LOVE TO USE ALL SORTS OF MANIPULATIVES! MATH IS FUN!!! WE HAVE BEEN LEARNING ALL ABOUT WRITING WORDS. NOW WE CAN STRING TOGETHER WORDS TO MAKE SENTENCES. IT'S FUN TO READ!!!

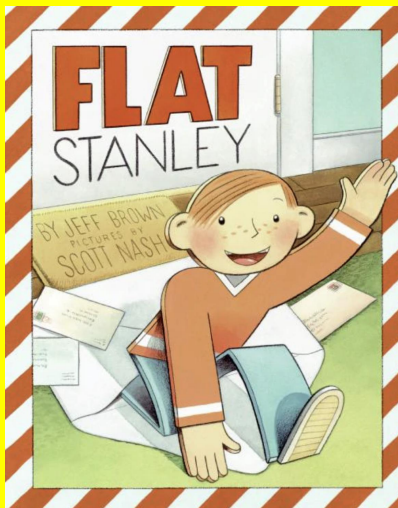


Some students featured in the photos above include Janie McNeal, Slade Houser, and Nadia Kehathilwe.

Teacher Update: 1st Grade

By Mrs. Nelson

THIS MONTH IN 1ST GRADE, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON A PROJECT BASED ON THE BOOK "FLAT STANLEY". IN THE BOOK, A BOY NAMED STANLEY HAS A BULLETIN BOARD FALL ON HIM AND HE BECOMES FLAT. HE GOES ON MANY ADVENTURES WHILE HE IS FLAT, AND HE IS EVEN MAILED TO VISIT A FRIEND IN CALIFORNIA FOR SPRING BREAK.



AFTER WE DID A NOVEL STUDY OF THE BOOK, WE MADE OUR OWN FLAT STANLEYS TO MAIL TO FRIENDS AND FAMILY ALL OVER THE COUNTRY AND THE WORLD. THE CHILDREN WROTE LETTERS, ADDRESSED ENVELOPES, AND MADE PAPER STANLEYS TO SEND OUT. WE SENT THEM OUT ON MARCH 24TH AND WE ARE EAGERLY AWAITING NEWS OF THE ADVENTURES THAT STANLEY HAS BEEN ON. WE HAVE GOTTEN ONE PICTURE FROM THE DESERT IN ARIZONA SO FAR. WHEN STANLEY AND THE LETTER ABOUT HIS ADVENTURES ARE SENT BACK TO US, WE WILL BE CHARTING IT ON A MAP AND RESEARCHING MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THE STATES AND COUNTRIES HE HAS VISITED. WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS PROJECT!

You will find all the 1st graders featured throughout the photos, which include Travis Mayhle, Dominic Kehathilwe, Emma Shobert, Eliza Philp, Mackenzie Montgomery, Uzziah Dishong, and Avaya Heilbrun.

WE HAVE ALSO BEEN WORKING ON LEARNING ABOUT MATTER AND SOUND IN SCIENCE, DRAWING CONCLUSIONS AND MAKING INFERENCES IN READING, COUNTING MONEY AND TELLING TIME IN MATH, AND MANY OTHER THINGS. WE HAVE BEEN VERY BUSY LEARNING ALL ABOUT GOD'S WORLD.

Teacher Update: 2nd Grade

By Mrs. Miller

Second grade had a lot of fun participating in Spirit Week! Decade Day and Wacky Wednesday were definitely class favorites. It was so uplifting to see all the excitement and energy in the school with Spirit Week and Penny Wars. Second grade also did a wonderful job performing their "Frog and Toad" play along with other grades.

Second grade has been really excited about our new science chapter "What Living Things Do". We started the chapter talking about the basic needs of all living things. One of the hands-on activities we did was build shelters out of toothpicks and gumdrops to protect a small animal. Then we moved on to life cycles. We are learning all about the life cycle of butterflies now and are anxiously awaiting warmer weather so we can observe this life cycle for ourselves. The class will have their own caterpillars and get to watch the stages of metamorphosis!



Some students featured include Maddie Kimmel, Marlee Eckenrode, Stetson Beatty, and Logan Miller.

Teacher Update: 3rd Grade

By Mrs. Buterbaugh

Third grade students are in the throes of the Biography Project, working with Mrs. Wilson and the fourth graders to present a living portrait of a famous person. Due to COVID restrictions, the project has not been presented for a couple of school years, but this year it is back on schedule to be performed in our classrooms on the first Friday in May.

Students have chosen the person they want to talk about and impersonate. They are doing research using the classroom library and in conjunction with library classes with Ms. Duchon and donated/loaned materials. Tri-fold presentation boards are being covered with pictures, drawings, time lines and writing, and students are busy memorizing the speeches they will give when the public arrives to see the presentation.

All the students are inspired and excited by this work, and we are glad to have been invited by Mrs. Wilson to participate in this scholarly activity.

We are helping raise money for the Four Footed Friends fundraiser by purchasing (and eating!) all the yummy items for sale during lunch time. As new learners of cursive writing, we have been impressed by the beautiful cursive writing on some of the treats encased in sandwich bags; a certain high school student writes inspiring or funny little messages on the bags, and we are enjoying reading them and oohing and ahhhhing over the cursive writing.

We enjoyed playing chess with our mentors last Friday; several of the students are progressing in their knowledge and skill at chess, and we are very thankful for this mentoring project which connects the younger students with the high school community.

We want to thank our room parents, Brandon, Sr., and Amanda Crosby, for giving us an ice cream party. This nice event helped ease the sting of all the sabotage during the Penny Wars! We were glad to help contribute to the fund raiser, and the ice cream party was extra special. Thank you, Crosbys, for being so kind!

It's hard to believe we are in our last weeks together as third grade students. The time will fly, we know, and we are appreciating our friendships more than ever.

Easter blessings to all!



Some students who are featured in the photos on the left are Levi Echevarria and Bryce Bieda.

Teacher Update: 4th Grade

By Mrs. Wilson

OUR 4TH, 5TH, AND 6TH GRADE STUDENTS
WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME YOU TO AN EASTER CELEBRATION AS
THEY PERFORM THE SKIT

"WHAT JESUS CAME TO DO"

ON FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH AT 6:30 PM AT SEEDS OF FAITH CHRISTIAN ACADEMY.
MRS. BRUNO'S BAND WILL PERFORM FOLLOWING THE SKIT, AND
MS. DUCHON WILL HAVE STUDENT ARTWORK ON DISPLAY THROUGHOUT THE HALL. THE
PTF WILL PROVIDE REFRESHMENTS FOR ALL TO ENJOY!

BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND JOIN US ON FRIDAY, APRIL 8TH, FOR AN
UPLIFTING TIME OF CELEBRATION AS WE CONTINUE OUR FAITH JOURNEY THROUGH
LENT. YOU WILL BE BLESSED!

1 PETER 1:3 ~ "PRAISE BE TO THE GOD AND FATHER OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST!
IN HIS GREAT MERCY HE HAS GIVEN US NEW BIRTH INTO A LIVING HOPE THROUGH THE
RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST FROM THE DEAD."



Middle School and High School Updates:

Mr. Johnson's Bible Classes:

The students in grades 5 - 6 Bible have completed a survey of the four Gospels and have started a study of the Book of Acts. Students were taught that true doctrine, obedient living and fervent devotion to Christ and love of others were vital as the early church was being established. Through prayer, simple acts of kindness and loving obedience it is hoped that students will apply these same truths to their daily lives. The person, role and vital leading and power of the Holy Spirit was emphasized in this regard.

The 7 - 12 Bible students have been studying 1 John and have been investigating current issues facing teens, and the Bible's perspective on these issues. Time was taken on how vital it is to "test the spirits" by reviewing the basic tenets of Christianity and ways to identify false teachers and groups. Ways to discern truth from error include prayer, knowing what the Bible says, the guidance of the Holy Spirit, getting advice from Godly believers and considering the lifestyle of the leader of any group.

The current memory verse for these students is 1 Peter 3:15. It is the hope and prayer that, increasingly, students will share the Good News through how they act and through what the Bible says.

Chemistry Class No-Bake Cookies!

By Mrs. McLaughlin

The Chemistry class made no-bake cookie dough with flour, sugar, milk, vanilla, and chocolate chips! We all had a lot of fun making and eating it, and only a few people got cavities.



MRS. PARTIDA'S SPANISH CLASS

¡Fuimos a Mexico! We went to Mexico! The school very kindly allowed me to teach my Spanish class from Mexico for nearly a month. As a result, I was able to show my students what life in a small town there is really like. We were able to look at things from a very practical standpoint. Students saw how the streets were, what the houses were like, how people cook, live, and spend their time. Our class learned about cost of living, daily wages, opportunities, expectations, schooling, and religion. While we were there, we had the privilege of getting to know a missionary family (originally from the state of Washington) and to hear about the discipleship work that they have been faithful to do. Please pray for Jesse and Emily Klein and their three children and the wonderful work that they are doing in Santiago Ixcuintla, Nayarit, Mexico.



FEATURED ABOVE IN THE PHOTOS ARE STUDENTS FROM CHEMISTRY CLASS. THE PHOTOS BELOW ARE PHOTOS FROM MRS. PARTIDA'S TRIP TO MEXICO.



Enrichment Updates:



Upcoming Important Music Dates:

By Mrs. Bruno

I am excited to let you know about our upcoming Spring Program. During the program you will get to watch the 4th grade Easter Skit and enjoy the 4th-12th grade Band concert. The program will take place on Friday, April 8. Students will need to report at 6:00pm, with the program starting at 6:30pm.

Upcoming Art Events!

By Miss. Duchon

I am excited to let you know about the upcoming Spring Art Shows! There will be a K-12th grade Art Show during the spring program on April 8th and during the Easter Egg Hunt/Open House on April 9th, and a K-12th grade Art Show at the Indiana Mall which is sponsored by the Indiana Arts Council and will be on display from April 26th through May 8th. The Art Show during the Spring Program will have a People's Choice Vote for the artwork and the students from each category with the most votes will receive a special art trophy!



Other in school activities

*Four footed friends fundraiser:
For the past 2-3 weeks we have had a fundraiser for malnourished animals and the animals in need. The fundraiser was selling food, including cookies, chips, banana bread, and other delicious foods that students participating brought at lunch. The high schoolers gave up there homework time and even there lunch time to help with this cause. The person that started this was our high school math and science teacher Mrs. McLaughlin, which was the influencer for this fundraiser. Our goal was \$1,000 but with your help we have reached \$1,132 to give to the animals in need at Four Footed Friends*



This month's newsletter was designed by Miss. Duchon and the following students who are involved in the Newsletter Club:

- Landon Bieda
- Corydon Metcalf
- Trinity Metcalf
- Sophia Chiu
- Manny Echevarria
- Katana Fulmer
- Tiaan Dekock
- Noble Ditch
- Henry Wolfe

**We Hope You
Enjoyed Our
Newsletter! Be on
the lookout for our
next Falcon Friday
Feature in May!**

