

the SPARK

December 12, 2013

From the teachers...

Winter is definitely upon us. The kids are enjoying building forts and sledding at recess time.

This past week, we started a fundraiser for the Philippines. The students have until next week Thursday to bring in the money they made for the Philippines. Tomorrow night, we plan to set up a stand to sell some of the crafts and baking the students have made. Thank you in advance for supporting us as we try to fundraiser for the Philippines.

Next week is our last week of school before Christmas break. I hope to see many of you at Thorncliffe Manor on Tuesday at 2:00 pm. We plan to start our "assembly" at 2:15 sharp.

Have a super duper weekend! See you Friday night!

Mrs. Smith

*Il est né le divin enfant, jouez hautbois,
résonez musettes*

*Il est né le divin enfant, chantons tous
son avènement.*

What joy to be singing the above words with the students for a third year. It has been nice to teach it to the grade 1 students for the first time. Another favourite is *Vive le vent, Vive le vent...*

And also for the third year, my annual bringing of a 'bag' full of winter outdoor gear to teach the younger grades about "les bottes", 'la tuque', 'le foulard ou l'écharpe', 'les gants ou les mitaines', 'le pantalon de neige'. It's always fun to make the learning more 'hands-on'. They also worked on saying *C'est une tuque, Ce sont des bottes, c'est un foulard, ce sont des mitaines...*

The oldest students got to review Aller, ER, IR verbs and Telling Time. On Wednesday when Mrs Smith was visiting our class the guys beat the gals in our team challenge to see who could answer the most questions correctly.

C'est L'hiver-C'est Noël is our main theme and so all this week and next week we will continue with all kinds of theme-related vocabulary and learning.

Looking forward to seeing many of you vendredi soir pour notre concert de Noël à Jubilee.

Bonne fin de semaine,
Mme Lüdwig

Spelling/Sight Words:

Grade 1: *Sight words:* from, good, any, about, around *Spelling words:* ax (axe), bath, bring, chat, crab, drank, drum, glass, must, splash

Grade 2: boil, coil, foil, oil, soil, toil, broil, spoil, voice, choice, rejoice, coin, join, noise, moist, hoist, boy, joy, toy, enjoy, does, done

Grade 3: sin, sinned, slip, slipped, mop, mopped, step, stepped, wag, wagged, trim, trimmed, thin, thinner, thinnest, hot, hotter, hottest, big, bigger, biggest, flat, flatter, flattest, didn't, isn't, answer

Grade 4: drizzle, puzzle, sample, temple, tremble, bumblebee, candlelight, saddlebags, shuttle, battlefield, rattlesnake, bottle, gentle, whole, who, whom, Zephaniah, Haggai

Grade 5: saucer, auction, applaud, awful, scrawled, tomahawk, waterfall, volleyball, install, installation, toffee, belong, across, soft, soften, exhaust, somersault, Vermont **Grade 6:** alter, alternative, execute, execution, sense, sensation, guide, guidance, grieve, grievance, grievous, insure, insurance, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Ireland

Grade 7: elasticity, calculator, country's, generous, parachute, already, inspector, brochure, identical, judgment, injection, mandatory, jaguar, nonfiction, cruel, guacamole, persecution, maneuver, advertise, acquisition, unyielding, mayonnaise

Looking Ahead:

Star of the Week: Helena

Bible History:

- Jesus heals the man born blind
- I am the Good Shepherd (John 10:1-21)
- The Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37)

Memory Work: Hymn 20:4

Dates to Remember

Dec 17 – Christmas assembly at Thorncliff

Dec 19 - pizza lunch and last day of school for 2013

Just a reminder that vouchers are available from Dora van Popta for most of your favorite stores.

Tim Hortons and Starbucks
Food Basics, Loblaws, Superstore,
and Metro,
Starbucks and Tim Hortons.
And so much More!

This is an easy way to support ACS
all year long!

The Fundraising committee!