



St. Monica School Extended Day Weekly News!

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Contact Us!

During School Hours, you can call the office and they will relay any messages. Alternatively, you may email our program at

extendedstaff@methuenatholic.org

All emails will be returned by 6PM that day.

Weekly Recap!

This week, we explored the *be kind to Earth and it will be kind to you* theme. We read a story about Creation, made pledges to be kind to Earth in many ways, made our own frosting to create Earth cookies, used iPads to do team trivia challenges, made a sponge greenhouse, and of course had dance parties and lots of outdoor play!

We kicked off our week with the reading of Creation. We are so incredibly blessed to have such amazing readers. We had over ten volunteers who wanted to read a portion of the story to everyone. Fantastic job to those who read.



After discussing creation, we discussed ways we could make sure we are kind to Earth to keep it the way God created it. Kids all went around and gave their promise to assist with this effort. We also discussed that being kind to Earth isn't just for Earth Day, but every day!



Dance Parties happened all week. Kids love to play freeze dance and just have a good time. At the request of the kids, we have now set aside time each day for this. Great way to get out some energy on days weather is less than desirable!



Our Snack Attack this week was to make our own frosting. We measured, poured, and stirred together. Kids loved making their own frosting for the Earth cookies they were going to frost! This was a fan favorite with all of the kids. Yum!!



We know that almost all kids love their iPads. This past week, we put them to good use! Broken up into two teams, there were several internet hunts and challenges. After each game was done, we practiced good sportsmanship with a “good game” hand exchange.



Making a sponge greenhouse and outdoor play wrapped up our week. Before we constructed the house, we discussed what can be found in a greenhouse and what can be grown. The team challenge was to see who could list 5 items found, or what is grown in the greenhouses, fastest. After our challenge, we constructed the greenhouse and put seeds on it. Within two weeks, we should have grass growing! Tune in next week to see our progress.



Coming Events!

One of the BEST seasons in New England is fall! Fall officially began Saturday, 9/22. This week, we will focus on a Welcome Fall theme. Some activities that are planned are leaf impressions, apple nachos, pumpkin math challenges, and so much more!!

A Few Reminders!

***Please see below for a few quick reminders.**

-When making payments, please make sure they are in an envelope and marked with your name and student's grade.

-Extended Day does provide a snack each day. If you know your child may be there after 4PM on any day, we suggest packing an additional snack in their lunchboxes.

-We do allow the vending machines to be used. We do not, however, have change so please send in the correct amount. Please make sure to remind your child that we do not share money for vending machines.

Staff Spotlight!

Getting to know our Staff!



Each week, we will spotlight one staff member for you to get to know better. A full listing of all of our staff can be found on the Extended Day Board! This week, we would like you to get to know Mr. Adam.

“Hey everyone! I’m Adam and I’ll be helping your young ones this year! I’m a sophomore at Methuen High and I’m involved with the band. I love working with kids because it makes me happy when I see them having a grand ole time! Thanks for reading our newsletter and have a fantastic week!”