

Updates from the Classrooms ... Continued

The first graders are very excited to be back in school again. It has been a busy first few days of getting to know each other and learning a new routine. They have been reviewing math skills and letter recognition. They decided that their favorite part of first grade is that they have a Chromebook to use in our classroom. A shout out goes to the Edgar Area Jaycees for making a monetary donation for the purchase of Chromebooks. Also, a thank you to my parents, Duwayne and Kris Merkes, for donating money to our first grade classroom. I was able to purchase some language arts resources and a storage area for our new Chromebooks!

~ Miss Merkes, First Grade



Exciting changes are happening in our classroom and in the gym. In addition to the growing number of books for our classroom library, we are also blessed with a new Smarttech Interactive Flat Panel (installed last Saturday on the west wall of the classroom). The students have been eagerly exploring their new reading options and the upgraded features of the new technology. The students and I have also been learning new prayers, including our prayer before math class (*Dear God, Add love, subtract sin, multiply the Fruits of the Spirit, and divide our gifts among others. Amen.*). A major focus of Phy.Ed. Class this year is fitness, and a new banner in our gym this year explains to students why we should take care of our bodies (*God created your body, Jesus died for it, and the Holy Spirit lives in it.*).

~ Mrs. Wenzel, Seventh & Eighth Grades

The middle school students have had a great beginning to their school year! In science, they will be conducting experiments and presenting the results using 21st century skills and technology. In reading, the 5-6 grade class is reading the classic "Old Yeller" and 7-8 students are reading a book set in the Middle Ages, "Crispin - The Cross of Lead". The students are adjusting well to having their own Chromebook, learning their daily schedule, and being responsible for their school work. Great job, students!

~ Mrs. Wozny, Fifth & Sixth Grades



Greetings from Grade Two! The first week of school has been pretty busy learning new routines-like filling out our Assignment Notebook and using our chromebooks, catching up with our classmates-we did lots of activities to learn new things about each other, and rescuing Mr. Gulan from aliens. That's right-aliens! We came back from lunch on Tuesday to find a note saying Mr. Gulan had been abducted by aliens, and it was up to Grade Two to rescue him. By cracking codes and answering questions, we worked in two teams and found all the school supplies listed on the ransom note. We rescued Mr. Gulan and learned about working as a team to reach a goal!

~ Mrs. Werner, Second Grade