

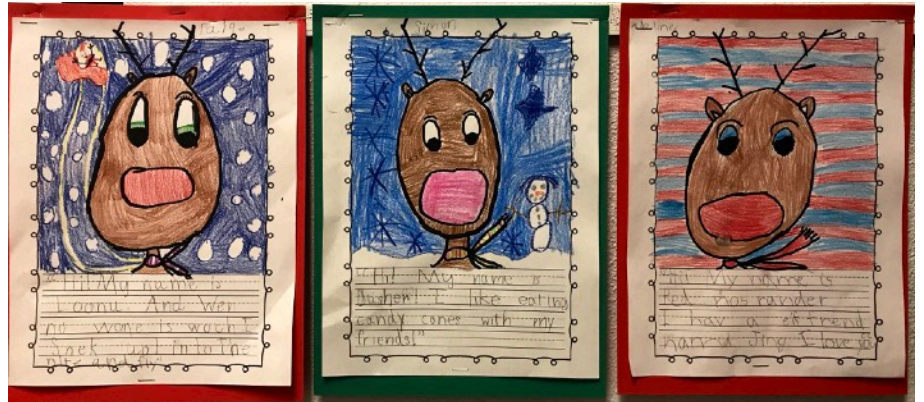
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# Peek at Our Week

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"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

-John 3:16



Some curriculum highlights:

## Religion

This week, we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, in which Mary is honored as she was born free of sin. We will also continue our learning of Advent as the time in which we wait for Jesus to be born! We will discuss patience, one of the 12 Fruits of the Holy Spirit (what others can see in us when we let the Holy Spirit work in our hearts), and talk about ways we can be more patient in our lives, as well as how we can patiently prepare for Christmas.

## Language Arts

Our spelling words this week are that, then, this, them, thick, tenth, with, and bath (we are focusing on the two-letter phonogram "th"). Our challenge word is Mary! Our dictation sentence is See my dog.

We will be reading informational texts on marine habitats this week and analyzing text for details and the author's purpose.

We will be learning about adding endings to base words (the endings -s, -es, -er, and -ing), as well as continuing our discussion of proper nouns.

## Technology

During Technology class this week, we will participate in the "Hour of Code," as we learn to program. Students have done some coding prior to this week (using Kodable, Code.Org, & Scratch). All of these programs are available for you to access at home as well, if coding is something your child is interested in!

Be looking for your child's first trimester report card to come home on Friday of this week. Please view carefully, affirming your child's many accomplishments, and establishing a goal for the new trimester. You may keep the report, but sign the envelope and return the envelope to me.

## Upcoming Events

### December 12th

Soup Kitchen item due!

### December 13th

-Advent Outreach items due! (one can of food and one item for the Women's Shelter, which was individually listed on the green sheet sent home last week; you can email me for your family's item if you've misplaced the sheet)

-Fancy Free Dress for 1A & 1B (we will be taking photos for our Auction Project; please note that we will be going to P.E. as well--so bring/wear sneakers!)

### December 17th

Advent Prayer Partner  
Christmas card due

### December 19th

Christmas Program: please drop your child off in 1A at 5:45pm (I will not be in the classroom earlier than that!). Please pick up your child promptly after the program.

### December 20th

-Green and Red Free Dress!  
-Faith Family Card Exchange and Singalong

# A Peek Inside 1A

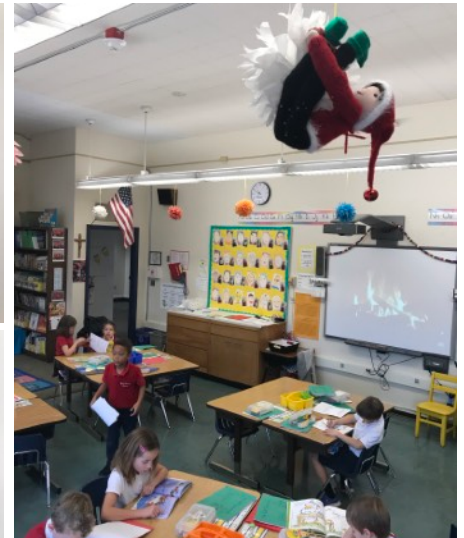
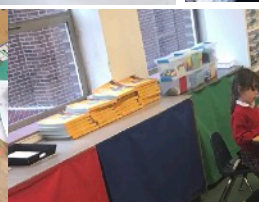
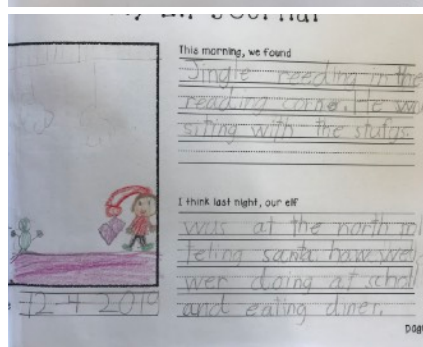
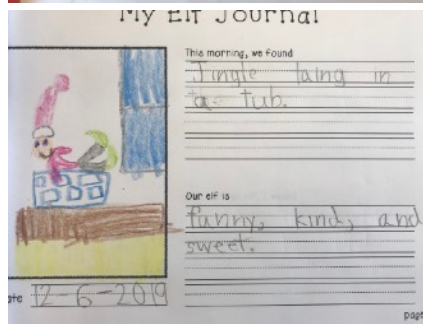
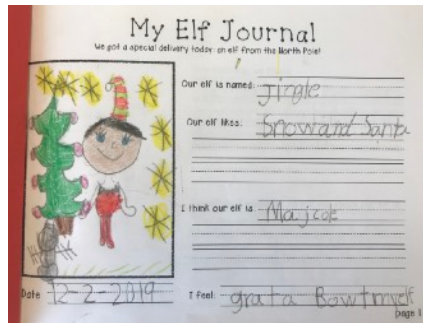
## STAR OF THE WEEK



*Cal*

Our Star this past week was Cal!

We learned that Cal loves cheeseburgers, baseball, dark chocolate, tigers, and winter. He enjoys playing board games with his mom, baking with his dad, and playing sports with his brother. Cal wants to be a baseball player when he grows up. Cal is a helpful, athletic, and caring friend! We are so happy Cal is a part of our 1A family!



We received a special package from the North Pole--an elf! After voting on several options, we chose the name Jingle. Students journal about Jingle's adventures daily.



Our hallways are looking festive, as we incorporate various art projects with our learning about Advent, Christmas, grammar (check out the quotation marks on our reindeer!), and more!