

2nd Grade News
Mrs. Thering's class
December 9, 2011

Hello Families,

WOW! The week really flew by! We are keeping very busy in 2T. In Religion, we talked more about Advent. I listened to the children recite the Act of Contrition and Ten Commandments. Father Dave came on Wednesday and told us about his favorite Christmas carol—*What Child Is This?* He shared the meaning of the words of the song. Congratulations to our second group to receive Reconciliation on Saturday.

All of the students wrote a story about a candy cane. We are working on the final draft now. Everyone read pioneer stories this week to tie in with our Social Studies unit. We are working on answering questions in complete sentences. We need to use part of the question in our answer. The children also received a letter back from Father Kalscheuer. We'll write him again. He really appreciated the letters.

We took our first subtraction timed test on Friday. It's time to get those flash cards out and practice at home. We'll do the same at school. The children are experts at subtraction with regrouping. We'll solve many problems next week by regrouping.

The children made a covered wagon for our pioneer game. The children learned about good and bad things that could happen to the pioneers as they traveled west. (See attached picture.)

IT IS OUR TURN TO LEAD MASS ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16. Mass parts will come home on Monday.

SHARING—The Christmas songs were terrific! Now our sharing topic is ornaments. Draw a picture of (or bring it in if unbreakable) your favorite ornament on your Christmas tree. Tell us why it's your favorite.

SNACK—Brianna, Jadyn, Nick, Emily, Rachel

Thanks for your help with Advent Angels. Keep those letters coming! The kids get so excited to find something in their mailbox! ☺

