



 **In Pre-K 3 we...**

- participated in the Feast of St. Francis Mass.
- are learning how to be a good friend.
- visited and learned about an apple orchard and a pumpkin farm.
- made applesauce.
- tasted and voted for our favorite type of apple.
- visited the Rome Fire Station and attended a fire prevention assembly.

**In Pre-K 4 we...** 

- learned about our 5 senses.
- enjoyed apple tasting and graphing, and made applesauce.
- completed our apple and pumpkin investigations
- learned about the life cycle of an apple and pumpkin and the parts of each.
- carved a Jack-O-Lantern.
- celebrated National Pumpkin Day.
- went on a field trip to the Rome Fire Station.

 **In Kindergarten we...**

- had fun learning about communities.
- went to the Rome Fire Station and learned about fire safety.
- are learning to read many sight words.



**In First & Second Grade we...** 

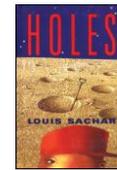
- learned how to put words in ABC order.
- learned different addition strategies.
- learned about fire safety and went on a field trip to the Rome Fire Station.

 **In Third & Fourth Grade we...**

- submitted our creative Halloween stories and illustrations to the Utica Observer-Dispatch contest.
- are reading *The Courage of Sarah Noble* - Historical Non-Fiction.
- took the first iReady Math and Reading Diagnostic Assessments.
- reinforced vocabulary and facts from our Science Plant Unit with Kahoot games using Chromebooks.

**In Fifth & Sixth Grade we...** 

- held elections for Student Council.
- learned about bones and made our own "x-ray" hands.
- began reading *Holes* by Louis Sachar.



 **Art Creations**

All classes were busy creating the following items:

- PK 3: Squirrels and candy corn pocket ghost.
- PK 4: Fire trucks and cats and pumpkins.
- K: Cardboard tube owls, spiders and webs, stand-up cat, and one string Halloween mobiles.
- 1/2: Indian corn mosaic, pumpkin and ghost mobiles, candy corn baskets, and a haunted house scene.
- 3/4: Haunted house diorama, felt door decorations, and magazine picture collages.
- 5/6: Fractured shape designs, life-sized skeletons, and saints.

**Library** 

- The library is in the process of getting new shelves.
- Students will be continuing to learn how to take care of library books and exploring what interests them.
- To the Parents, please take a look around the house for any library books from previous years and have your child bring them back. Inventory is currently taking place.

## News from the Nurse

To help prevent the spread of illnesses, please use the following guidelines. Please keep your child home if he/she has had:

- Fever/Vomiting/Diarrhea in the past 24 hours.
- Chills.
- Conjunctivitis (pink eye): May return 24 hours after the first dose of antibiotic.
- Impetigo: May return 24 hours after first dose of medication.
- Ringworm: May return 24 hours after first dose of medication.
- Strep throat: May return 24 hours after first dose of antibiotic.
- Head lice: May return after being treated according to the nurse or health care provider's instructions.



## Spanish News

- Pre K 3, 4, and Kindergarten: Are learning, colors (los colores) numbers, the animals (los animales) the Spanish Alphabet, and also vocabulary from abc in Spanish.
- 1/2: Are learning greetings, numbers, and the use of you in Spanish, which the formal is "usted" and the informal is "tú".
- 3/4: Are learning that in Spanish there are two ways to say the word you, one is "tú" and the other is "usted". Students learned that "ayer" in Spanish means yesterday, "hoy" means today, and "mañana" means tomorrow.
- 5/6: Are learning months of the year, how to write dates in Spanish, vocabulary from the home and classroom, and shapes, sizes and colors.

## What's Kicking with Coach?

Remember PE days are Tuesday's and Thursday's. Sneakers and PE uniforms are required for K-6. Please note shorts are no longer to be worn again until April 1<sup>st</sup> and sweatpants are required.

- PK - K: continue to practice locomotor skills, learning about spatial awareness, and playing traditional elementary games. The upcoming unit will be throwing and catching.
- 1/2: are reviewing locomotor skills and spatial awareness, while playing a variety of elementary games and activities.
- 3-6: finishing their "soccer skills and lead-up games" unit. We will be playing alternative team sports as our next unit.



## News from After School Care

- Read *The Three Billy Goats*, *The Monster in the Woods*, *It's Hard to Wait*, and *The Gingerbread Man*.
- Made skeletons using bread ties and painted glass pumpkins out of baby food jars.
- Helpful hints: We are located in the cafeteria this year. Please bear with us as we work out some flaws. It may take us a few minutes to answer the door. Sometimes the doorbell sticks, please ring it once. If no one answers after a minute or two, please ring again. Also, please note that After School Care is not offered on 1/2 Day Dismissals.

## Vocal Music

Our students are:

- Listening to great music to make a listening map of the melodies.
- Playing clapping games to learn what a beat is and that rhythm is a pattern of beats.
- Recognizing the staff, treble clef, notes, and time signatures.



## Extra, Extra!

- Thank you to all the families that submitted Yankee Candle Orders. We raised \$4,120.32 for our school!
- Our Box Tops for Education™ collecting is off to a great start; let's keep up the good work!
- Congratulations to our newly elected Student Council!  
Jonathan Versace, President  
Zachary Earl, Vice President  
Noah Sexton, Secretary  
Clare Maxwell, Treasurer
- Our Rome Rescue Mission Food Drive ends on November 2<sup>nd</sup>. It's not too late to send in food items. Thank you all for your generous contributions that will go to area families in need for the Thanksgiving Holiday.



## November Upcoming Events

- Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>: 1/2 Day Dismissal - Parent/Teacher Conferences.
- Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>: Mixed Bag Media Fundraiser Orders Due
- Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>: 1/2 Day Dismissal, Faculty In-Service Days
- Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>: Veteran's Day Celebration.
- Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>: No School - Veteran's Day
- Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>: Safe Environment Training Re-Certification for families @ RCS at 6 p.m.
- Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Fellowship Dessert
- Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>: Thanksgiving Mass @ 1:00?
- Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>: No School - Thanksgiving Recess

