

Ms. Kelly's January News 2025



Happy New Year!!! Hoping and praying that this year brings good things for all of us.

This January I will begin to have the children start writing out their last names during morning work. If they are not already working on this. Please encourage them to use proper grip when they are writing and coloring at home.

Please remember to send warm coats, hats, and mittens/gloves to school daily. We go outside at 10 a.m., weather permitting. You can send in boots with a change of shoes if you would like.

Thank you for sending in your holiday tradition sheets. We had fun comparing and celebrating our likes and differences.

Our themes this month our Clothes and Music.

The letters are Mm. Pp, Oo & Nn. You can help us with our studies by sending in an item of clothes your child wore when they were a baby. We will talk about patterns, snaps, buttons, zippers, and sizes. I will send them home after the second week.

For the last two weeks, you can help by sending in any instruments you may have at home that the children can explore. We will NOT be using our mouths on any of them. Also, if you have some favorite music that you would like to share, please send it in.

Important dates: 11 & 12- Wear a hat day

20= No PreK -Martin Luther King Jr Day 16 & 17-Pajama day

26-Open House 26-31 Catholic School Week

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Love, Ms. Kelly



Week of: January 6-10

Study: Clothes

Teacher: Ms. Kelly

Exploring the Topic: What do we know about clothes? What do we want to find out?

Sandpipers

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Lace and design a large mitten with markers	Cutting out a hat shape and coloring with colored pencils	Painting a shirt cut-out with dots Painting a hat cut out	Water Paint a shirt cutout	Painting with spools black paper/white paint
Large Group	Discussion and Shared Writing: Introduction to the Clothing Collection	Discussion and Shared Writing: What Makes Our Clothes Special?	Movement: Dancing With Scarves Discussion and Shared Writing: Describing Clothing	Movement: Dancing With Scarves Discussion and Shared Writing: What Do We Know About Clothes?	Game: Who's wearing what? Discussion and Shared Writing: What Do We Want to Find Out About Clothes?
Read-Aloud	The Mitten	Animals should definitely not wear clothes	The Hat	Tacky the Penguin	The Snowy Day
Small Group	Exploring the Clothing Collection Religion(all week) This is me	Sorting & Classifying Clothes This is me	Organizing the Clothes Collection Circle cutting activity	Fabric dress a doll Circle cutting activity	Button Match
Outdoor Experiences: Exploring Scarves; Clothing Conversations; Kicking balls					

Family Partnerships: Please send in an article of clothing that your child wore as a baby.

Wow! Experiences: None.

Week of: January 13-17 Teacher: Ms. Kelly Sandpipers Study: Clothes

Investigation: What special clothes do people wear to work? Pp

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Paint dobbers	Painting with yarn	Fabric Collage	Crayons and Markers	Colored Pencils
	Dress up Clothes(all week)				
Large Group	Discussion and Shared Writing: When do we wear?	Discussion and Shared Writing: When do we wear?	What do some people wear for their jobs?	Discussion and Shared Writing: What do people wear for different jobs?	Discussion and Shared Writing: What do people wear for different jobs?
Read- Aloud	Olivia	Who Wears What	Something From Nothing	Pirates in Pajamas	Llama Llama Red Pajama
Small Group	Religion(all week)	Letter Stamps	Fabric Dress up doll legos	Matching game Light up table	Measuring blocks

Outdoor Experiences:; Follow the Leader on a Line; Obstacle course

Family Partnerships:

Wow! Experiences: Pajama Days Thursday and Friday Indoor snowball fight

Study: Making Music Oo

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	NO SCHOOL	Painting with drumsticks Easel Painting(all week)	Painting with drumsticks	Create a Kazoo markers	Create a Kazoo markers
Large Group		What do we know about music?	What kind of instruments can we play with our hands?	What types of instruments can we play with our mouths?	What do you want to learn about music?
Read Aloud		Snow Dance	Shalom Aleikem	The Wheels on the Bus	Olivia forms a Band
Small Group		Religion(all week) musical instrument matching game	Which drumsticks make the best sound? octagon pattern blocks	Counting and sorting our musical instruments Glasses and water exploring sound	Glasses and water exploring sound

Outdoor Activities-Play our outdoor musical instruments

Family Partnership-Please send in musical instruments to help during our Music theme. They can be real or toy instruments. We will NOT be playing instruments that you use your mouth to play. We will be exploring those instruments with our hands and eyes. You can also send in music CDs that you would like us to listen to. We will be extra careful with the instruments and they will be returned at the end of the month.

WOW experiences! Listening to different types of music and exploring instruments.

Week of: January 27-31 Teacher: Ms. Kelly Sandpipers

Study: Music

Nn Catholic Schools Week

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Painting on Newspaper	Listen and Paint Water paints and classical music	Listen and Paint to Jazz music paint and add a trumpet cutout	making musical notes on a blank sheet music fingerprints and markers	water painting on sheet music
Large Group	Discussion and Shared Writing: What is your favorite type of music?	Discussion and Shared Writing: What is your favorite type of music?	Dancing Discussion and Shared Writing: Do you have a favorite song?	Dancing If you could learn to play any instrument, what instrument would you choose?	If you could learn to play any instrument, what instrument would you choose?
Read-Aloud	Giraffes Can't Dance	Abiyoyo	Twinkle Twinkle Little Star	Itsy Bitsy Spider	One Love
Small Group	Religion(all week) Number games	memory games Making music with glass cups	matching game Making music with water in glass cups	Sorting and comparing musical instruments	Exploring/counting our musical instrument collection

Outdoor Experiences: Playing the musical instruments on the playground

Family Partnerships: Share your favorite music with your child

Wow! Experiences: