

FAW Friday News
February 17, 2023



Dear Father Andrew White Families,

There was a lot of happiness at Father Andrew White School this week! Students shared candy grams and valentines with their classmates, letting them know how special they are! The second graders reviewed map skills by taking a walking trip through Leonardtown! They met with the postmaster to mail their *Flat Stanley* projects which were being mailed stateside as well as to England, Australia and France! They topped off their Leonardtown trip with a visit to Heritage Chocolates, learning all about the process of creating candy and preparing it to sell!

Third graders played their first song on their recorders during Music Class this week! *Hot Cross Buns* sounded amazingly well for their first performance!! They also learned how to sing *The Hokey Pokey* in Spanish!

Ms. Johnson had lots of fun activities with students! PreKindergarteners created Rainbow R's and made heart stacks with the letters of their names! Other students prepared for President's Day by posing with their best Presidential look and substituting their face onto a photo of Mt. Rushmore! They then decided what they would do as President! Some of their responses were to "make sure that everyone had a mansion and money, especially the homeless, and to put their picture on the news and help the poor!"

Kindergarteners wrote thank you notes to Mrs. Rutherford! They thanked her for making brownies, salad and cheeseburgers! They also thanked her for letting them use her kitchen so they could make “no bake” cookies for their 100th day of school!

First graders created Castle and Sun pictures by stamping geometric shapes with primary colors. Fourth graders wrote a biography paper for Black History Month. They covered topics such as what the person was famous for, an obstacle that they faced, a quote and a character trait. They also wrote a question that they would ask if they had the opportunity to meet someone such as Colin Powell, Ruby Bridges, Hank Aaron, Thurgood Marshall, Ben Carson and the Tuskegee Airmen.

Mr. George taught 3rd and 4th graders how to use the 3-D printer! The students created heart shaped boxes with their pictures inside to give as a present to their families! Mr. George learned how to work with the printer from Mrs. Pietsch and then spent many hours perfecting his technique in order to teach the students!

Mrs. Stewart led Morning Prayer this week and reminded us that love is a gift from God and that God is love! After polling her classes, she shared what students love about Father Andrew White School and what the teachers love: our students, God, seeing children learn and sharing our faith!

Next Friday, February 24, we are hosting a Coffee Chat with the principal at 8:15 am. We want to know your ideas for our five year strategic plan. Please join me for coffee and an opportunity to share ideas that will guide our decisions for five year planning! Hope to see you there!

Please take time this weekend to thank God for the many ways that He shows His love to you and your family. With your family, write down the gifts that God has given to you. And finally, give your child the gift of faith by taking them to Mass this weekend!

Have a blessed long weekend!

Mrs. Szoch
Principal