

January Newsletter



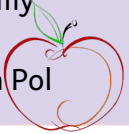
A Note From Mrs. Vanden Pol

Welcome to 2021! We made it through 2020 and I am excited to see what the new year holds. Thank you all for your continued support as we navigate this school year. Everyone did such a great job with the at home learning for the first week and I am so proud of the students for everything they did.

Looking ahead to the rest of January I look forward to jumping back into learning with the students and enjoying the time we have at school together. This week has reminded me of how much I enjoy spending my days with students and I can't wait to see their smiling faces back in their desks.

Blessings to you in this new year!

Mrs. Vanden Pol



Spotlight on Christian Education

Looking for God in All the School Places

This is our classroom storyline and is our way of learning that God is in everything and we can find Him if we seek Him with our whole heart. Our storyline is built on two verses:

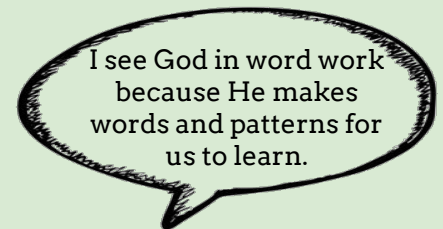
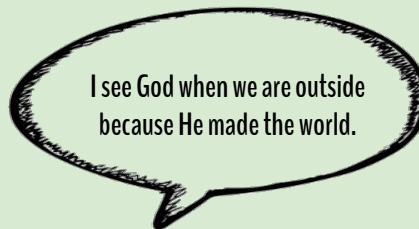
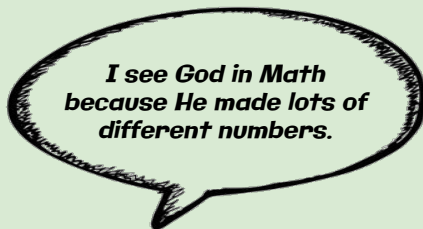
"The earth is the Lord's and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;"

Psalm 24:1

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart."

Jeremiah

Student Quotes - Where have we seen God?



Throughline of the Month

The throughline of the month in January is Order Discovering. We are order discoverers when we look for God's fingerprints in creation. The more we learn about the world around us the more we come to recognize how everything works together. God created order out of chaos and everything in creation was made for a specific purpose, including us!

Order Discoverer Memory Verse - Due January 28th

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - This is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is - His good, pleasing, and perfect will.

Romans 12: 1-2

Bible Unit

We have started our Bible unit on Joseph and will be looking at how we can see echoes of Jesus' life in the experiences of Joseph. Even when everything seems to be falling apart we can take comfort in knowing that God works all things together for good, we just don't always see His plans before they happen.

Look at What We're Learning



Math

We will be spending the rest of January on our Data Analysis unit. Students will learn how to collect, share, and interpret data using tally charts, pictographs, and bar graphs.

Language Arts

Students are working on individual goals for reading and will be meeting regularly one on one with Mrs. Vanden Pol to check their progress and learn new reading strategies.

Students are working on learning the patterns of English in Word Work using the Words Their Way program. They are demonstrating more and more confidence with finding and discovering patterns.

This month we will be starting our main event unit. Students will learn how to take a small event and tell it in slow motion adding description, dialogue, thoughts, and feelings to help the reader experience the story and make it more entertaining.

Social Studies

Students are going to be looking at leaders and decision making in each of the four countries. We will talk about voting for leaders, characteristics of a good leader, and how we can be leaders in our lives as well.

Science

We are starting our building unit this month. Students will be getting a chance for some hands on learning as we explore different building materials. We will become engineers and try building different structures that are strong and stable.

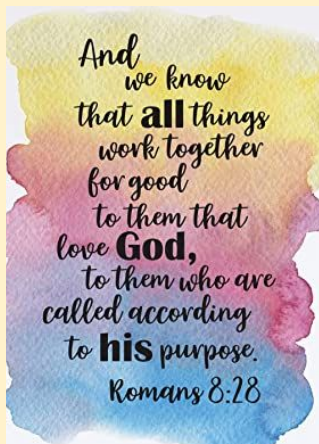
Health

Students are going to be discussing problem solving strategies and solutions in Health this month.




Important Dates



15th - No school for students
22nd - Pajama Day
28th - Memory verse due
29th - No school for students



Reminders

- ★ **Remind**
If you haven't joined yet please join by [clicking this link](#) or by following these [instructions](#).
 - ★ **Daily COVID Checks**
Please remember to do a daily assessment of your child's health before sending them to school.
 - ★ **School Website**
Please remember to check the [school website](#) and our social media pages to stay up do date on important information.
-  @FMChristianRoyals  @ChristianFMPSD  @fm_christian_school
- ★ **Nut Aware School**
We are a nut aware school which means students should avoid bringing any type of nut product for snacks and lunch.
 - ★ **Utensils**
Please remember to send spoons and forks in student lunches as the school is unable to provide them this year.
 - ★ **Scholastic Orders**
You can order Scholastic books online this year. Please use our **class code: RC178960** when checking out.