



CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT

First Grade

Children in Holy Family's first grade are studying Advent and working hard to memorize their addition and subtraction facts. The students also have opportunities everyday to do hands-on activities to express their knowledge of the lesson in unique and creative ways.

As their service project this year, the students are making blankets for children in need through Project Linus. Mrs. Albertelli's and Mrs. Brown's classes took a field trip to the Community Nutcracker as their first class field trip. And in the spring, the students will study an in-depth unit on animals, which will culminate with a trip to the zoo.



Students in Mrs. Brown's class enjoying center time!



Mrs. Albertelli's class hard at work on their journals.

Heard in the Halls...

What's Cool About First Grade:

"I get to do math, music, art, gym and Spanish...the extra stuff I really like."

"I like to take AR tests."

"We get to play on the big-kid playground."



Left to right: Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Albertelli, Mrs. Wildsmith

Mrs. Albertelli has been teaching at Holy Family for six years: three years in first grade, one year in Kindergarten and two years as a Reading Resource teacher. She began teaching at St. Pius and has been a teacher for 10 years. In her free time, Mrs. Albertelli enjoys spending time with her husband and four children as well as reading and going to the beach.

This is Mrs. Brown's 13th year as a teacher. She has been at HFCS for 11 years, where she's taught first grade for 10 years and second grade for one year. When she's not teaching, Mrs. Brown loves to quilt – a passion of hers for almost 35 years! She also enjoys walking on the beach and searching for sharks' teeth with her husband.

Mrs. Wildsmith has been a teaching assistant at Holy Family for the past seven years. She has been a substitute teacher in all grades and an assistant in first and second grade. When she's not teaching or spending time with her family, Mrs. Wildsmith loves to read and is a marathon runner!

Next Month:
CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT on Fifth Grade

We hope you have a safe and joyous holiday!