

Notes from St. Anna's Room



November 2009



November was a busy month in our classroom! We learned so much about American history and Thanksgiving. Students got to experience slimy, slippery papier mâché to make our very own globe so that we could see just how far the Mayflower had to voyage. We became explorers ourselves as we used our telescopes to help us spot America in the classroom: "Land ho!"

Fast forwarding through history, we even learned a little bit about colonial times. Students learned "Yankee Doodle" and "My Three Cornered Hat" while making tri-cornered hats. We also channeled Paul Revere and raced our hand-made horses from Charlestown to Lexington. What a ride!

Making play dough was one of the highlights in our class this month—it was fun to learn about measuring and mixing with ingredients from home. We didn't get to cook a real turkey, but we learned how to make them using all kinds of different shapes and, of course, our hands.

In December, we'll be focusing on the Nativity, taking steps to create our own Nativity scene and continuing to count down the days in Advent. Students will continue to learn about patterns, and they'll also be learning about the letters K, L, M and N.

We've added Russian to our morning prayer routine! You can practice at home by singing "Ghosodi po miloy."

Winter is just around the corner! This means it's a good time to start learning how to put on (and take off) boots, snowpants, coats, scarves, hats and gloves. You might want to practice these skills at home so that we can spend more time making snow angels and less time fighting rogue winter clothing. Winter time also tends to mean more runny noses and scratchy throats. We're practicing keeping our bodies safe from germs by using tissues, covering our mouths, and washing our hands.

As always, I look forward to continuing to learn with your child and to hearing from you. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me via the school email (theophanyschool5@yahoo.com).

Joy and Blessings,
Miss Emily

Reminders:

- Th 12/3: No school for students due to Parent/Teacher Conferences
- W 12/23: Half Day
- Theophany School will be closed from 12/24-1/3 for Christmas

Wish List:

- Liquid hand soap
- Wet wipes