October 30th, 2009

BRADFORD BULLETIN

B R A D F O R D A C A D E M Y 'S P A R E N T U P D A T E

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

 REPORT CARDS TODAY: Please sign up for parent/ teacher conference on posted list.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Grandparents Lunch Nov. 5th @ 11:30ам - Bradford Night Nov. 17th @ 7:00рм - INFORMATION Night Dec. 8th @ 7:00рм

SPECIAL THANKS

We appreciate the local businesses who were able to take the time to chat with our students: Antiques and Accents, Art at One Eleven, Brick Alley Antiques, Furniture on 4th, Martino's, Mebane Espress, Mebane Enterprise, Mebane Drug, Rice Jewelers, Sling Bladez, Solgarden, Southern Microscopes, State Farm Insurance, and the MEBANE POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRAYER

- Upcoming Events Please pray for the preparations leading up to the events, the students as they learn their material, and the presentations.
- Students Please pray for our students in three areas: first, spiritual awareness and growth, second, love and maturity in social interactions, and thirdly, academic growth.



A FIELD TRIP

JWNTOWN



We began our tour of Mebane at the police station.

Last Thursday marked the end of our first quarter. On that day we went on a field trip to downtown Mebane. The kindergarten students took turns interviewing various business owners. Our second graders took notes.

We began our trip at the police station touring the new facilities and learning about the job of law enforcement. We are blessed living in a small town but still quite happy to have our local officers on the job. Next, we spent a few moments in the Veterans' Memorial Garden discussing the monument and other interesting features in the garden.

The students then spent the next hour and a half visiting businesses in small groups. It was a real treat to visit the historic core of

Enjoying a cup of hot chocolate outside *Mebane Espress,* our local coffee shop.

our small city. One of the real highlights was the opportunity to see the art gallery which included paintings that had been painted by the tigers at the Conservator's Context. We finished our field trip with a

Center! We finished our field trip with a visit to the coffee shop and enjoyed a cup of hot chocolate! This week's bulletin includes pictures of our field trip. I hope you enjoy them!

The last page of this bulletin includes a few photos from short jaunt to the Mebane Arts and Recreation Center on Tuesday. We had been invited to help celebrate a birthday for a local woman who turned 100!

We have been blessed this first quarter with many very interesting opportunities. In each case I have been very proud of our students who have generally demonstrated good manners and grace. Thank you for your hard work at home. It is always a joy to show off our students! Peace and grace.

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FROM MR. JOHNSTON 1ST/2ND GRADE & HISTORY AND SCIENCE

Language Arts:

1st grade continued to work on new letter sounds and added the silent e this week. We also read the exciting story, The Black Flag, which recounts Cotton Mather's encounter with 17 century pirates. 2nd grade studied the rules governing Y as a vowel. Each week the students are given a spelling list and a spelling test on Thursday. Those that do not score 100% must repeat the test on Friday.

I am looking forward to Bradford night which will give our students the opportunity to demonstrate some of their academic achievements. One of

Math:

the highlights will be their grammar chants!

1st grade continued working on several of their math facts working to increase speed in computation. I felt that we got bogged down this week with sums of 8 and sums of 9 but made some progress by the end of the week. We also worked on fractions and counting using tally marks. 2nd grade reviewed counting quarters. We have also been practicing counting by 7's and 12's in preparation for learning our multiplication facts.

History:

Kindergarten returned to our study ancient history and began working on the next verse of the BC History Fact song. Our goal is to survey the

> events and empires from Israel's captivity to the birth of Christ. My goal is to be able to do this bv Christmas to coincide with that holiday.

From MRS. OGLE KINDERGARTEN & SPECIALS

Math: The students learned how to add 1 to a number, weigh objects using nonstandard units, sort items and create a graph, and estimate then measure length and width using nonstandard units.

Phonics: This week the students learned all about the letter Rr. They also read their very first sentences (The man ran. The rat ran).

Music: We talked about rhythm, beat, and tempo. The students learned the difference between the beat and the rhythm of a song. They also learned how to distinguish between songs with a fast tempo and those with a slow tempo. We ended our class with some students clapping the beat and others the rhythm of a song simultaneously.

Art: The students got to turn the drawings they have been working so hard on into prints this week. Look for them at Bradford night.







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HELPING CELEBRATE 100 YEARS

The students of Bradford Academy were recently invited to help celebrate a local senior citizen's 100th birthday! We sang hymns, recited scripture, and spent time talking with Mrs. Tate. It was a rare privilege to serve and be blessed!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Grandparents' Lunch:The Lunch is intended as a delightful time of fellowship for our students and their grandparents. We want our children to have the opportunity to practice reciting and serving. We also want the grandparents to see what we do at Bradford Academy.

Bradford Night: This is a great opportunity for your friends and family to see what we are doing and invite anyone you know who may be interested in our school.

We would appreciate 3-5 volunteers to make cookies for Bradford Night. Please contact Sarah Thrasher at sarah@jimmythrasher.com.

Information Night: For those people who may be interested in the vision and philosophy of Bradford Academy, we will provide an opportunity for more information and discussion on Dec. 8th. All are welcome.







Austerfield Veronica, Cecelia, Reagan, Joseph

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Leiden Avonlea, Jack, Olivia, Thys

Dipmouth Emma, Elena, Sailor, Lucy, Joshua-