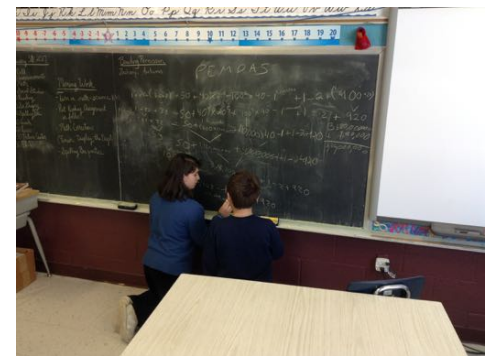


St. Mary's Sixth Grade

March 2017



Sixth grade has been busy! Here is what we have been learning this spring.

ELA: We are enjoying reading a class novel, *The Penderwicks*. We wrote and presented essays about the people we interviewed. We also finished reading novels and creating skits in small groups.

Next week we begin work on our class play, "The Trial of the Big Bad Wolf," taking place on Wed. May 24 at 1:00 and 6:30 in the gym. Please save the date!

Top left: a quilt created in art class by grades 4-6, which will be given to a school in Haiti this summer!

Math: We have been solving algebraic equations and linear functions. On March 21, we celebrated a belated Pi Day. Next Tuesday, students are challenged to take part in a Pi recitation contest. Above, see a challenge problem created by Maria & Christian, for fun!

Science: We finished a unit on force and motion. Now we are starting a unit on simple machines. We'll be creating our own Rube Goldberg machines.

Social Studies: We are studying Ancient Mesopotamia! We are also presenting our Countries of the Week. So far, we have seen Russia (Christian), Vietnam (Nate), Australia (Gabbie) and Ethiopia (James).

Top right: Irish Step Dancers at the St. Patrick's Day Dinner