



The Paw Print

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Respect Week

By: Emily Gioacchini

Respect Week is a week dedicated to respect awareness. Respect Week is the first week in October and everyone in the school wore different colored shirts to acknowledge areas of respect... Respect of our Faith, Respect of our School, Respect of Ourselves, and Respect of Each Other. On Monday, the students wore blue shirts to spread the word of bully prevention. Tuesday was the day students showed how they respect their faith. Wearing red symbolized love of God above all things, and loving others as we love ourselves. On Wednesday, students got to dress down in jeans and a school spirit shirt. This symbolized how the school showed their pride. Student Heritage Day was on Thursday and this day was dedicated to teaching the students that we are all a unique gift from God. By wearing the colors of our nationalities we expressed our roots and showed our respect for ourselves and the uniqueness of others. Last but not least, Friday was the day students wore gold or yellow to show the Golden Rule. Wearing yellow or gold reminded us to respect everyone, and to treat others the way we would want to be treated, as well. The week opened up with a prayer service to install the student council members and the ambassadors. These students took the oath of their office. In the course of the week, the older grades watched a Pixar film on bullying. Also, during the week, students signed this prayer pledge:

EVERY child and EVERY adult at Saint Leo the Great is a special gift from God. EVERY child and EVERY adult at Saint Leo the Great deserves my RESPECT.

I will **DO MY BEST** to show RESPECT for everyone in my school.

I will **COOPERATE** with children and adults in the school.

I will **SPEAK** with RESPECT to others.

I will **PLAY FAIR** with others.

I will **DO MY BEST** to make others feel good about themselves.

I will **TREAT** everyone as I wish to be treated.

Thank you, God our Father, for the gift of people who love and help me.

AMEN

Congratulations to our 5th grade boat competition winners!

1st Place- Dylan Van Berkel

2nd Place- Kaitlin Murphy

3rd Place- Juliana Estaban



Blessing of the Animals

By: Adriana Fernandez



On Friday, October 3, 2014, the students of Saint Leo the Great School honored Saint Francis of Assisi. The student body began the day with the celebration of mass at 9a.m. Students were asked to bring in a donation for the A.S.P.C.A. Donations included food, treats, paper towels, and even a dog bed.

Saint Francis of Assisi is the patron saint of animals. Students were encouraged to bring in their pets or pictures of their pets to be blessed at an outside ceremony at 1pm. At this time Father John said a prayer and blessed all of the animals with holy water. Several different types of animals were brought in. They included: dogs, cats, hamsters, rabbits, birds, and many others. Students with a parent's permission attended the blessing. The main idea of the blessing of the animals was to show how much we love and care for our pets. We asked God's blessing on our furry family members. The weather cooperated making it a wonderful afternoon.

Here Comes the “Pastor Mobile”

By: Emiley Sherman

In the last few weeks we have seen that Father John has a new mode of transportation. If you guessed a golf cart you are right. Kids around the school have been talking about it since September. In the past, Father John has probably worn out many pairs of shoes. He was always walking back and forth from his home to the parish center, to the church and to the school. The golf cart is just a perfect means of transportation.

How does the golf cart work? It has two peddles, the one on the right to makes the cart go, and one the one the left stops the cart. The steering wheel is on a long pole close to the driver, so you don't have to lean forward. The “pastor mobile” makes it very convenient for Father John to make his many trips throughout the day.



Father John in his new golf cart.

Instruments Take Over Saint Leo the Great School

By: Sarah Magno and Cecilia Heidelberger

The Fundamental Music Program is dedicated to one goal- to provide the students of Saint Leo the Great school with the finest music instruction possible. The Fundamental Music Showband has won 25 superior ratings in a row at band festivals across the county. Mr. Kelly, along with Mrs. Bender, teach the students in a positive, learning environment. Students are placed into groups and they are assigned 30 minute band classes. Mr. Kelly assigns groups based on the musical categories: woodwind, percussion, brass, and other instruments, such as the piano. Mr. Kelly allows students to try out the many instruments offered, to find which musical tool they would like to play. Students may also come during break, recess, lunch, and before and after school for extra practice.

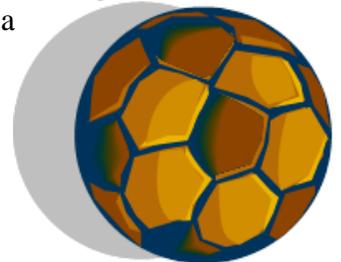


Saint Leo the Great's Soccer Team

By: Cara Martin and Julia DiFazio

Congratulations to the 2014-2015 Varsity Girls Soccer team! This team of fifteen consists of Kathleen Venezia, Regina Acken, Colleen Cusat, Danielle Borrino, and Isabelle Geneve. Also, the returning seventh graders are Anna Thoreson, Bella Mansour, Gracie Krall, Olivia Almeida, Victoria Leibrock, Caroline Meany, and Maggie Ward. Now, for our first time sixth graders, Taylor Consolazio, Julia DiFazio, and Cara Martin.

Isabelle Geneve says that she signed up for soccer because it is her passion and it brings school spirit. Katie Venezia says that her favorite position is outside right mid. This is because it helps the entire team. Last year's team told the newcomers that the hardest teams to beat were Eatontown and St. Mary's. Well, we are making a comeback because we have beaten Eatontown in our first game 5-0. Regina Acken says, "Our goal is to make goals."



Did You Know...

Our own Mrs. Newberry was a guest on The Rachael Ray Show in late October? This show recognized people in the food industry. Mrs. Newberry was nominated by members of Saint Leo the Great family for her many contributions. Thank you Mrs. Newberry.



A Haunted Night

By: Riley Plosica

On Friday, October 24, several events took place. Only one short week before Halloween, the 24th was filled with festive parties and decorations. In addition to the fall dance for the older students, two parties were held in the AAC. At 4:30, students in grades Pre-K through third danced, ate, and partied until 6:30. At seven o'clock, grades four through six arrived. All students, from both parties, were dressed up. Costumes ranged from nerdy school girls to sports players and Harry Potter characters. At the party, the DJ had students take part in fun games and activities. These activities included a guessing game, where kids had to estimate how many candy-corns and spiders were in a jar. They could also guess how much a pumpkin weighed. In addition to these games, there were also musical chairs. Students ate cupcakes, brownies, cookies, rice crispy treats, and a large assortment of other treats. Prizes were even given out. CD's with all of the music played that night were distributed. The food was provided by many different sources, including parents and other helpful volunteers. These volunteers were a huge part of making these parties the success they were. All of the students had a great time, and enjoyed getting together for some dancing time before the long week before Halloween began.



Throwing It Back to the Beginning of Halloween

By: Caleigh Kehoe and Kyle Johnson

Halloween is a holiday celebrated on October 31st. The usual traditions of Halloween are trick-or-treating, buying costumes, carving pumpkins and visiting 'haunted houses'... but what is the history of Halloween? The word Halloween evolved from All Hallows' Eve or All Saint's Eve. People used to think that if you put out a Jack O' Lantern then it would keep mythical creatures away. Trick-or-Treating has been a popular Halloween tradition in the United States and other countries for hundreds of years. Kids dress up in costumes to receive candy.



Masks and costumes were originally worn to attempt to mimic the evil spirits, or appease them. The first Halloween costumes appeared in stores in the 1930's when trick-or-treating was becoming popular in the United States. Halloween costumes are fun to wear and you can dress up as your favorite human character or in scary costumes. You can also dress up with a group of friends in creative costumes. Costumes were originally worn by adults and not kids to parties, also known as a Masquerade. That was long before children started wearing them. An interesting fact is that the mask goes back before costumes. Masks can be traced back to about 7,000 B.C.



Did you know...

That the fourth and fifth grade religion classes are participating in a Respect Life Program sponsored by the Diocese of Trenton? They will submit essay, posters, or DVD's. They will reflect the theme "Each of us is a masterpiece of God's creation." Thank you God for the gift of life.

Dance, Talk, And Eat!

By: Caleigh Kehoe

On Friday, October 24, there was a dance held in the cafeteria. There was food and a DJ. The seventh and eighth graders went to the fall dance and had so much fun. The students arrived at seven o'clock and partied till nine o'clock. Everybody showed their spirit by joining a conga line. Even the teachers took part in the festivities. At the end of the evening, three lucky winners were awarded iTunes gift cards. Each person had been given a number when they arrived at the dance. The three winners were Colin Langan, CJ Dammann, and Katelyn Lawson. The dance would not been a huge success without Mrs. Brock, Mrs. Mullins, Mrs. Bianco, Mrs. Owendoff, and the student council members.



The Musical Artist, Beethoven, Comes to Saint Leo's

By: Caleigh Kehoe and Emily Gioacchini

The PTA members sponsored a school assembly on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. This assembly was called "Meet Beethoven". This assembly was held in the AAC for the kindergarten through eighth graders. The kindergarten through fourth graders watched this presentation first at 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. The fifth through eighth graders watched this presentation second at 10:30 – 11:15 a.m. The actor who was playing Beethoven was Dennis Kobray. This program teaches students the life of Beethoven, let the students experience live classical music and reinforces that hard work, discipline and belief in one's self can accomplish great things.



Saint Leo's Cheerleading Team

By: Ava Strobel and Gabriella Arias

Most people think that cheerleading is not hard, nor a sport. We think they are wrong. Cheerleading takes a lot of practice and effort. The Saint Leo's cheerleaders work very hard. Typical practices include stretching, stunting, tumbling, dances, jumps, and conditioning. The 8th graders on the team are Olivia DiRe, Madeline Normoyle, Trinity Murray, Juliana Largo, Alysa Lazzara, Kaitlyn Jones, Alyssa Torres, Juliana Vaccaro, and Alexa Waldron. The 7th graders on the team are Arianna Thomson, Riley Dinnell, Anna Thoresen, Caroline Dnistrian, and Jillian Hemsing. The 6th graders who made the team were Ava Strobel, Caroline Spendio, Caroline Schultz, and Taylor Consolazio. Congratulations to all of the girls who made the team!



The squad has been working hard to achieve success. The cheerleaders are looking forward to cheering for the varsity basketball teams. They want to be perfect for every competition so they win every time. Let's hope for a great season. GO LIONS!

Saint Leo's Basketball Team

By: Amanda Van Duzer and Gabriella Arias

Some people think that basketball is just about shooting hoops and making the basket. Basketball is way harder than that. In basketball you need to know how to properly shoot a basketball. You also have to know how to do a lot of other things. Some examples are you need to work together as a team if you want to win the game. You also have to be good at either offense or defense.

Some exercises in basketball are the crabwalk, corkscrew, and playing five on five. You also have to be a very good runner because you need to go to the other teams hoop and shoot the ball. The most important thing you need to know is how to dribble the ball, not smack the ball. You need to know how to dribble two balls together and dribble them at different times as well. In basketball you also need to know how to do lay-ups to make the team.

The 2014 J.V. girl's basketball team members from the fifth grade are: Erin Gretskey, Caitlin Bermingham, Jacqueline DiBenedetto, Olivia Koopman, and Chloe Van Berkel. The sixth graders that made the team are: Allyson Cisar, Jillian DeFelice, Julia DeFazio, Grace DeStefano, Hannah McCarthy, Nicole Shapiro, Amanda Van Duzer, and Kylie Williamson. Congratulations girls! Let's hope for a great season. GO LIONS!



Want to Start a Business?

By: Julia DiFazio

This year, many new electives have been offered to students in sixth-eighth grade. One of the new favorites is the Business Club. Current members of this club are Kyle Aldridge, Sean Raineri, Matthew Krall, Danny Hurley, Matthew Buckalew, Hunter Lane, Vishal Dube, Brandon Sherman, Chris Montefusco, Andre Terrone, Brett Minto, and Collin White. In this club you spend an hour a week creating your own business! Brett Minto says, "I like business club because I like the idea of learning about the business world and how it works". Some businesses that have been created in this club are KDSM Shoe Repair and Billy's Buffalo House. The founders of Billy's are Chris, Andre, Brett, and Collin. Chris claims, "We decided to bring Western food to the East Coast. The idea is to Buy it, Cook it, Eat it. Hopefully we will see your face in business club next trimester!"



Reader's Theater Club

By: Joey Stanton

The Reader's Theater Club is a club where you perform plays for the younger grades. The club is moderated by Mrs. Cotgreave. The members in the club are: Olivia Almeida, Kiley Cizin, Giovanni Cugliari, Riley Dinnell, Sophia Gana, Madeleine Hicks, Erin Horbacz, Sydney Koopman, Grace Krall, Victoria Leibrock, Caroline Litwin, Abby Lonardo, Bella Mansour, Adrianna Masters, Caroline Meany, Michael Rue, Hailey Scarantino, James Sullivan, Ariana Thompson, Lauren Walsh, and Maggie Ward.

The Halloween production was called Fright School. There were two groups who presented a classroom full of ghosts taught by a "wicked witch" teacher. The place was filled with fright and excitement.

The Reader's Theater Club performs many plays throughout the year. In November they will be performing a Thanksgiving theme play. When they put on a play, it will surely be very entertaining. Come on down to Reader's Theater if you want a really good laugh!



Some Books Are Worth Reading For...

By: *Giana Coccimiglio*



Students look forward to the first book fair of the school year. This book fair started Tuesday, September 30, 2014, and continued through Friday, October 3, 2014. Every year, school moms help out and volunteer to help set up the school book fair, help the children select books and run the cash register for this popular event. There were all different types of genres (types of stories) at the book fair. Students could choose from record books, picture books, biographies, animal stories and more. This year the book fair was held in the cafeteria. Mrs. Robustelli and the moms always set up the book fair the day the book fair starts. Reading is an important part of our schools learning environment so the book fair is a popular event. Many students stocked up on reading material and made many purchases.

Art Room

By: *Cara Martin*

Mrs. Miller has had us all very busy with crafts for Halloween, and fall. The first grade has been making owls and the third grade has made cat faces. The eighth grade has just finished making huge paper lions. One lion was based on the Hogwarts house Gryffindor. It was red and gold with a Gryffindor sword on it, and a flying broom. Another is based on the ocean. It has fish and a coral reef on it. Now the eighth graders are sketching faces. They take a picture of someone, and cut it in half. Then they sketch the other half of the face.

Additionally the 4th grade has been working with beading bracelets, and animals. They are doing that because they are studying Leni Lenape Indians in Social Studies. However the 5th grade has been using pastels to draw a picture of a cornucopia and a pumpkin with fruit around it.



Owl project featured in the art room.

And the Emmy Goes to...

By Kevin Henderson



Two of our very own students attending Saint Leo the Great School attend an acting class. The acting class is called Actors' Playground. The students' names are Megan Mulroy and Nicole Shapiro. Megan and Nicole are in the 6th grade. Megan said, "I always liked acting and performing so, I thought it would be very interesting." Nicole told me that she really likes acting and performing and she wants to be an actress if she gets really good. In the Actor's Playground they do many exercises to warm-up. Some exercises include vocal warm-ups. Vocal warm-ups are done by doing raspberries and humming very low. They also do monologues.. A monologue is a dramatic story or sketch performed by one actor. They also do improvisation activities where they make up the story as they go along. Finally, sometimes they tape performances and send it out for an audition. Megan shared with me, "I am improving and getting better at acting, and if I got really good, I would become a performer." Nicole said, "I am improving also, and I would become a performer too, if I got really good." The owner of the Actors' Playground is Ralph Colombino. Mr. Colombino directed movies. One movie he directed was School Girl Figure. Ralph has been a performer educator for 24 years. Ralph Colombino attended Rutgers University. Mr. Colombino used to be a lead singer and guitarist in the band The Remnants. Mr. Colombino also taught performers who are currently on Broadway, GLEE, Law & Order, Sesame Street, and Blues Clues. One of his students performed in the Broadway performance- The Lion King. Megan and Nicole have some advice for all future performers. Megan told me- if you want to go into the acting world you have to be self-motivated. Also, she told me do your own thing and go for it. Nicole told me- if you have a dream go for it.

The Cafeteria Changes

By: Brandon Sherman



When the doors opened on Tuesday, September 2, 2014, students were amazed by the beautiful changes they saw in their school. Father John wanted to make the cafeteria look nicer so he added a new ceiling, a new tiled floor, new lights and fresh paint. Now the cafeteria is a much nicer place to enjoy snack and lunch. Thank you, Father John for making the cafeteria so nice for the students. Students enjoy the new cafeteria as they listen to a presentation.



The Turkey Feast

By: Kevin Henderson

Friday, November 7th was the date! The turkey feast is a tradition at Saint Leo the Great School. It is celebrated on the same day that we celebrate Saint Leo the Great Day.

The turkey feast has been a tradition for seven years. Mrs. Newberry has prepared the Great Luncheon. Mrs. Newberry cooks turkeys, mash potatoes, stuffing, vegetables, rolls, and a side of gravy.

Mrs. Newberry starts ordering food the week before the event. She starts preparing the week of the feast. On Wednesday, November 5th, she calls in her volunteer moms to help her. Mrs. Newberry cooks 20 turkeys. She cooks 240 pounds of potatoes. Finally, she prepares 42 pounds of stuffing. Mrs. Newberry serves vegetables, rolls, and gravy, too. Finally, for dessert she bakes batches of cookies and pies. This day really makes you hungry for Thanksgiving.



Pumpkin Saints

By: Eilis Magnier

November 1st is the day we celebrate All Saints Day. The second grade celebrates in a very special way. They did a fun project called the pumpkin saints. The pumpkin saints are a great activity where you decorate a pumpkin to make it look like a saint. Second graders were allowed to choose any saint they wanted.

All the second graders were very excited to participate in this project. All the saints looked great because all of them were really unique. Each student had the opportunity to research the saint and find out facts about their holy lives. All the second graders did a great job!



Kindergarten Presents Their Thanksgiving Play

By: Julia DiFazio

Each year around the time of Thanksgiving, the Kindergarten classes put on a Thanksgiving show teaching us about how the Pilgrims arrived in Plymouth Rock, Massachusetts. Mrs. Boggio, Mrs. Csontos, and Ms. Wetjen divided the classes into two groups: Native Americans and Pilgrims. Each group plays a different role. The purpose is to show the perspective from each culture as they adjust to each other. The Thanksgiving prayer service reminds us of all that we have to be thankful for. The children practice very hard to remember their assigned lines.

The best part of this "performance" is when they sing their Thanksgiving songs. The songs include Holiday, Simple Gifts, the Star Spangled Banner, On the First Thanksgiving Day, and Turkey a Dressing. This performance is an important tradition for the students of Saint Leo the Great. It usually ends with everyone singing Holiday. "DON'T TOUCH ITS HOT, HOT, HOT!"

Star Students

By: Gabriella Berlingieri

In kindergarten, there are many wonderful children. The kindergarteners are very loving, kind, sweet, funny, caring, kids. In class, they have something called the star jar. The star jar works by the kindergarteners working as a team and following the rules. They can lose stars by not following the rules. By behaving they can gain stars. The kindergarteners can get stars from their teachers or VIPS, such as Mr. Begley and Mrs. Senkewicz.

Each kindergarten class does the star jar a little different. KA, instead of using stars, they use marbles. At the time of this article, KA reached twenty marbles and they earned a trip to the treasure box. The treasure box is filled with all kinds of prizes. Now they are trying to get to thirty marbles.

KB is very fond of doing the star jar. They do something called table stars. Each table is a team. They have to work together to be good to get stars. The maximum amount of stars that KB can get are six stars.

KC also likes having a star jar. They have a star jar and table stars. Stars are added to the star jar as a result of a team effort. The whole class has to get stars. KC recently reached thirty stars and they voted for brownies as a reward. Now KC is working on getting more stars. That was a tough challenge! KC also does table stars. As I already explained, table stars are a team effort for each table.

The kindergarten does the star jar every year. For prizes, some of the children suggested stuffed animals, ice cream, brownies, bacon, a trip to the treasure box, ice pops, and candy. They all are enthusiastic about doing the star jar, marble jar, or table stars. I'm sure then kids in preschool who are going into kindergarten next year will have a blast doing the star jar!



Did You Know...

The Third Grade is having a reading challenge? Both third grade classes are participating in this challenge. The students have to read twenty-five books by the end of the year. Whichever class reaches the goal, will win an ice-cream party. Every time a student reads five books, they win a prize. This challenge started the first week of school and will end when each student reads twenty-five books. Happy Reading!





Crazy Sock Day Strikes Back!

By: Cecilia Heidelberger and Sarah Magno

It's time to pull out those crazy socks again! On Friday, October 17, students came in with their craziest socks and helped end hunger by donating one dollar. The school raised a grand total of \$548.50 to donate to the Crop Walk on Sunday, October 19. Michael Rue and Mrs. Senkewicz walked five miles in the Crop Walk for hunger. Socks don't any crazier than this!

Cyber Bullying and Internet Safety

By: Emiley Sherman

On Monday October 27, 2014 the sixth, seventh and eighth grade students attended a seminar. The topic of the presentation was cyber bullying and internet safety. The speaker was a representative from the Monmouth County prosecutor's office.

The purpose was to show the students the importance of thinking hard about things that you post or send online. He warned all present about sharing personal information because you don't know who you are talking with. People are not honest about their true age or gender. The speaker gave a very good life lesson "never send something if you have to think for more than a half of a second". Once you send something you can't take it back. It was an important hour for the students. The presentation also shows the consequences of cyber bullying. In the end no matter what is on the web stays forever.

STOP
cyberbullying



Did You Know...

That we have a new Spanish teacher named Mrs. Baker? Mrs. Baker teaches students from preschool to the fifth grade. Mrs. Baker loves the kids and the kids love her. The kids love how she is very festive. For instance, every season Mrs. Baker decorates her Spanish cart. For Halloween, she puts stickers of pumpkins, witches, and ghosts on her cart and wraps the cart with orange and black wrapping paper. For Thanksgiving she puts stickers of turkeys and glues fake fall leaves onto her cart. Welcome Mrs. Baker!

Saint Leo's Welcomes New Students

By: Megan Mulroy



This year grades K-8 welcomed 25 new students. I was able to get their input on Saint Leo the Great School from some of these students. The students that were interviewed were Chloe Van Berkel, Juliana Merendino, and Madison Stavola.

The first student to be interviewed was Chloe Van Berkel from fifth grade. Chloe is from Oak Hill Academy (OHA) in Lincroft. She explained that Saint Leo the Great has the same amount of work. But, one difference Saint Leo's has is the lockers. In OHA you get a locker in fifth grade. Chloe laughed as she told me she was excited to have a locker, but now she has to wait one more year. Chloe also told me Saint Leo the Great has a bigger building.

The next student I interviewed was Juliana Merendino in fourth grade. She is from Lincroft School, obviously in Lincroft. Lincroft School also has no lockers. The building is much smaller, and there is also a time difference between when the school starts and ends during the day. Saint Leo's starts at 7:45 and ends at 2:30.

The last student that was interviewed was Madison Stavola in sixth grade. Like Chloe, Madison was from OHA. Madison and Chloe have different opinions about the amount of work. Madison said there was a difference in the amount of work required in each school. The lockers are twice the size. Their average school day at OHA started at 8:20, but you had to be in school at 8:00. Some clubs the OHA School offered were: Art, Physical Education, Science, Chess, Homework club, and more.

Overall, we are happy to welcome all new students to our school. We hope everyone, old and new, has a healthy and fun school year.

The Importance of Safety Drills

By: Kyle Johnson

Safety drills are important because they keep students ready for anything. Drills are conducted to insure the safety of everyone. In an emergency, students are expected to react by quickly exiting, listening intently to instruction, and maintaining silence. There are several types of drills; fire drills, lockdown drills, and high wind drills. Fire drills are important because they teach students how to react and what to do if there ever was a real fire. Lockdown drills are important because they teach students what to do if someone broke into the school and tried to harm us. High wind drills only happen once a year but they can also keep the students safe from the windows breaking and glass shattering. I had the chance to interview Mr. Begley and I asked him some questions.

1. Why do we conduct drills?

State guide lines dictate that we conduct one fire and one emergency drill each month. We do these drills so that in the event of an emergency situation our students, faculty and staff know what to do.

2. What are his main concerns?

The number one priority of everyone at Saint Leo the Great School is the safety of our students.

3. Which drill is most difficult to conduct?

An evacuation off premises would be a difficult drill because of the number of components associated with it.

In conclusion, Mr. Begley said, "Safety is our number one concern. In the event of an emergency situation our students, faculty, and staff know what to do."

Respect is Key

By: Catherine Buffalano and Taylor Consolazio



For the past three years, Saint Leo's has been participating in Respect Week. This year, Respect Week was on October 6 through October 10, 2014. Respect Week is about bringing awareness of respect to students' attention of the importance of respecting everyone and everything in God's creation. Respect Week is something that is done throughout New Jersey. It is taking place in Saint Leo's because it is a good message for the students.

Every year the school does something different for Respect Week. This year we signed a prayer which was a student pledge. The student pledge agrees that students treat everyone with respect and love. We also did a food drive that went towards the Saint Leo's pantry and lunch break.

This year we are wearing different color clothing that stand for different things each day. On Monday, we wore blue which stands for no bullying. On Tuesday, we wore red which stands for faith. On Wednesday, we wore school colors which represents respecting St. Leo's. On Thursday, we wore clothing that stands for our heritage. Wearing clothes for our heritage shows respect for ourselves. On Friday, we wore yellow which stands for respecting each other.

During respect week, students are encouraged to follow the Golden Rule, which means to treat others the way you want to be treated, and the Law of Love. The Law of Love means to love others the way you want to be loved. If everyone in St. Leo's follows these rules, St. Leo's will become a happy and respectful school.

Since last Respect Week, Saint Leo's has witnessed many changes. Now, students are more aware of their school and faith. Students are picking up after themselves and their school. They are being nice and caring for each other. We can't wait until next Respect Week!

Happiness can be found in even the darkest of times, if only one remembers to turn on the light.
-Albus Dumbledore