Dear Parents,



We enjoyed the trip to the Williamsville Planetarium on Tuesday. The children were full of questions while we were there as well as when we got back. Praise the Lord! That's how a field trip should work!

We are looking forward to celebrating the  $100^{\text{th}}$  day of school on Wednesday. Please help your child to remember to bring in **100 items** that day.

Valentine's Day is on Thursday. Please send in the **Valentine cards** and the **fruit** your child chose for our Friendship Salad Thursday morning. We will be making the salad in the morning.

## SUBJECT UPDATE

<u>Bible</u> - We will be finishing the study of the Patriarchs and will start the unit on the life of Joseph. Most children have memorized the books of the Old Testament through Esther.

<u>Science/Language</u> - As the children are learning how to write their first research report, they are excited about using books and iPads in researching a planet of their choice and jotting down facts about that planet on 3x5 cards. I love it when they discover something new about their planet and run up to me saying, "Mrs. Backus! Did you know...?"

On Wednesday the class was busy painting our solar system. What a blast! We had paper, paint, planets, paint, planet rings, paint, heavenly objects, paint, glue, (and oh yes, did I mention paint?) all over the place! They all worked together so well! The children were looking in astronomy books to get the colors of the planets just right. We have the sun and all the planets hanging in our classroom now. There are a few asteroids and comets whizzing around, also. Feel free to stop by and take a peek at this project. I love working with this class!

<u>Math</u> - The children will be introduced to various kinds of graphs next week. They will also be working on sharpening their skill of adding and subtracting 2-digit numbers.

Have a wonderful weekend!

Sincerely in Christ,

	Specials
Monday	- Chapel, Music
Tuesday	- Spanish, Art
Wednesday	- P.E.
Thursday	- Library, Art
Friday -	11:00 Dismissal