





December 20th - January 6th NO SCHOOL

> \*\*Students return January 7, 2025\*\*



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# **Celebrating the Nativity**

St. Agnes students closed out their Advent celebrations with the kindergarten's presentation of the Nativity. Narrated by Carson Windhorst, the students played the roles of all who were present the night of Jesus' birth. A caroling party followed the presentation. What a great way to close out our advent celebrations!





# Many Hands Make the Workload Light

St. Agnes 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade students put their hands and hearts to work when they assisted the Knights of Columbus with the wrapping of toys for nearly 100 families during a wrapping party held on Wednesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. The students were thrilled to be assisting with filling the wishes of these children.



## **Singspirations Perform**

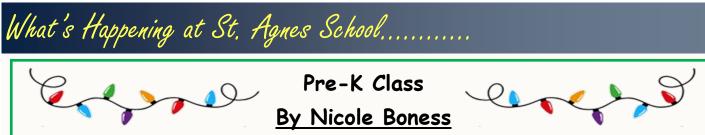
The Singspirations group took their talents on the road to spread Christmas cheer at the Legacy Coop Christmas open house held on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. The students performed a program inside the store and then caroled along the sidewalk area in front of the store. We are certainly proud of these students for sharing their talents with others.



### **Christmas Parties**

St. Agnes student closed out the first semester on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> by celebrating at their classroom Christmas parties. Movies, fun, games, snacks and gift sharing filled the afternoon before the students headed home for a 2 week Christmas break. School resumes on Tuesday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.





December has flown by so quickly! It's hard to believe the first semester is already over. We switched out our centers, and the kids absolutely loved it. Our art center transformed into a writing and drawing area where the kids could create letters and pictures for Santa. Every Friday, we would send them off to the post office. Another center became Santa's Workshop, where the children had fun wrapping presents and pretending to be Santa's little helpers.

We've also had lots of fun activities, like making reindeer puppets, elves, and gingerbread people. The students really enjoyed being part of creating our own nativity set—painting the pieces and then setting it up in the classroom.

We also celebrated Grinch Day by making ugly sweaters and Grinch hats, and the kids came dressed in their best Grinch outfits! To wrap up the week, we had a Pajama Day with a movie, pizza in the classroom, and hot cocoa. On the last day of school, we watched Kindergarten Nativity, enjoyed a movie, and had our Christmas party. I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful holiday!



# Second Grade Class By Lori Svitak

Ho, ho, here we go! It is the busiest time of the year. As 2nd graders, we have already started thinking about how to make this season extra special. In preparing, we have been concentrating on the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of Jesus. We know Advent is a blessed time in our church year and we are certainly enjoying our school's Advent Celebrations. This year we are doing the Jesse Tree. Another fun activity that reminds us of the spirit of giving, was our visit from Saint Nicholas.

In math, we have been learning different strategies for solving double digit addition. We have done many handson activities for each of these concepts. The students enjoy the change of pace.

In social studies, we are learning about how other countries celebrate Christmas. This is always a fun unit. There are a lot of differences and a few similarities to our celebration of Christmas.

Happy Birthday Riley Windhorst. Wishing you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

