Kindergarten Chronicles



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Important Information

- Please note that there will be No School on Monday, January 20th.
- Please remember that Wednesday is our library day. If your child's book gets lost at home (which happens to the best of us ⁽ⁱ⁾), just send a note and we will find out how much it costs to replace the book. Thank you!
- Attached is a letter about our upcoming "100 Day" celebration on Monday, January 27th. We are ordering screen-printed T-shirts for this day. Please return the order slip with payment by Tuesday, January 21st. Thanks!
- This week, we completed all of our winter benchmark testing (AimsWeb and MAP). The students worked very hard to improve their scores. You will receive reports from these assessments in March with your child's 3rd quarter report card. We are in the process of planning a "celebration party" for all of their hard work and effort!
- If you happen to forget your child's snack day, please send in a snack once you remember. We can use the snack you send as a "back up" in case someone else forgets. Thank you for your help with this!
- If your child wears snow/rain boots to school, please be sure to send other shoes for them to wear here at school. It's hard for them to sit on the rug with boots on.
- Thank you for the box tops you have sent in. They will be collected again in February.



<u>Mark Your Calendar</u> Monday, 1/20 – No School Tuesday, 1/21 – 100 Day T-shirt orders due Monday, 1/27 – 100 Day Celebration

<u>The Week in Review</u>

- We took a break from our unit on animals and spent the week doing fun, winter-related activities for reading and math.
- For reading, we compared/contrasted books about snowmen by the same author (Caralyn Buehner) and illustrator (Mark Buehner). You may recognize these titles: <u>Snowmen at Night</u>, <u>Snowmen at Work</u>, <u>Snowmen at Christmas</u> and <u>Snowmen All Year</u>. The students then tapped into their imaginations and used crayons and various types of paper to illustrate what they think snowmen do at night. These creative works of art will be on display in our classrooms.
- For math this week, the children paired up to play a dice game called "Roll-A-Snowman". We sent home a copy of the instructions so you can play at home with your child. Another day, each child created a winter scene and we used penguin crackers to "act out" basic addition and subtraction problems. Needless to say they were quite excited to eat the penguins when we were done.
- On Tuesday, we had a visit from Mrs. Barnard who is a volunteer at the SAMS Animal Shelter. She brought a 10-week old kitty, named Ivy, to visit as well. She talked with our kindergarten classes about what types of animals they have and what they do at the shelter. When she was finished talking, each of the kids had a chance to ask questions and pet the kitten. She also collected all of the generous donations that the students brought in during the month of December.
- Mrs. Cross visited our class on Thursday to talk with the students about feelings and emotions. She will continue to visit our class twice a month for the remainder of the year.