

December 12, 2014

Dear Parents and Guardians,

What a great night last night. Thank you to all the parents and family who came out to watch our fabulous class. They all looked beautiful and sang their little hearts out 😊



Our letter focus this week was on the letter Vv. The



students were introduced to Ms. V and her vegetable vest. After meeting her the students found the hidden letters on the cuffs of her sleeves. A fun activity we did this week was building words with letter Vv. We

blended sounds to make new words (/v/ /i/ /m/ = vim, /v/ /a/ /n/ = van, and /v/ /a/ /t/ = vat). We also placed these magnetic letters on a cookie sheet and pushed the sounds as we said them and then did a sweep of our finger underneath the letters as we read the word. Please continue to work on these concepts with your child at home. Our everyday word this week was does. Please continue to help your child recognize this word as well as all the other everyday words learned throughout past weeks. These words are in lots of books that we have and are reading in class. Your child will be assessed on these words at the end of this quarter.

Our theme is week was gingerbread man. We read many fun stories that all had different characters, ideas, or endings. We compared books and shared which parts



were our favorites. Please ask your child to take some time to retell their favorite stories read throughout this week. We finished up our theme today by baking our own cookies. We were very careful in baking them for the full time and not peeking...we didn't want our cookies to run away. But they did run away and sent us on the hunt for them. Once we found the cookies, we

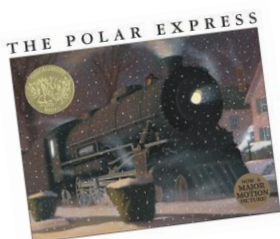


decorated them. Each child designed two cookies and they all looked scrumptious 😊 Thank you to ALL the parents who helped donate the many ideas needed for this project 😊 Your generosity is greatly appreciated!!

In Math, we lots of activities that centered on counting on strategies, what number comes before or what number comes after. We also rolled two dice together and wrote numbers sentences to figure out the sum. The students continued to work with 2D shapes and make different designs using all the shapes. And lastly we solved addition story problems in our math journal.



Next week we will learn and do activities with the Polar Express 😊 We will be having our Polar Express Day on Dec. 18th. On that day the students will be able to wear their pajamas, drink hot chocolate, and watch the Polar Express movie along with other fun



activities. Please send along a blanket and slippers if you wish ☺ Also keep in mind that we will still go outside at recess three times throughout the day (weather permitting) so warm coats, gloves, and hats are still needed ☺

Have a fantastic weekend,

Mrs. Galles

Next Week:

Letter: **review**

Everyday words: review

Math: review

Upcoming Events:

- **Thurs., Dec. 18th:** Polar Express Day ☺ Please have your child wear PJ's and bring a blanket!
- **Early Dismissal:** Fri. Dec. 19th @ 1:30 Winter Break Begins
- **Classes Resume:** Jan. 5th (Beginning 3rd Quarter)
- **NO SCHOOL:** Friday, Jan. 16th Teacher In Service
- **NO SCHOOL:** Monday, Jan. 19th Martin Luther King Day
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, Jan. 21st @ 1:30 (Elem. only)
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, Feb. 4th @ 1:30 (Elem. only)
- **NO SCHOOL:** Friday, Feb. 13th In Service
- **NO SCHOOL:** Monday, Feb. 16th President's Day
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, Feb. 25th @ 1:30 (All Buildings)
- **Kindergarten Round up:** Thursday Feb. 26th and Friday, Feb. 27th. No School for current Jr. K and Kindergarten students (grades 1 – 12 will have school as normal). Jr. K students do not need to attend round up. *Snow dates will be March 5th and 6th if needed.

Kindervention:

Week of Aug 25th: Letter Mm **Everyday words:** I, like, to

Week of Sept. 2nd: Letter Tt **Everyday words:** and, are, you

Week of Sept. 8th: Letter Ff **Everyday words:** do, see, the

Week of Sept. 15th: Letter Nn **Everyday words:** made, my

Week of Sept. 23rd: Letter Hh **Everyday words:** is, there

Week of Sept. 30th: Letter review **Everyday words:** review

Week of Oct. 6th: Letter Aa **Everyday words:** me

Week of Oct. 13th: Letter Pp **Everyday words:** a, on

Week of Oct. 20th: Letter Zz **Everyday words:** they

Week of Oct. 27th: Letter Bb **Everyday words:** it

Week of Nov. 3rd: Letter Ii **Everyday words:** will

Week of Nov. 11th: Letter Ss **Everyday words:** go, at, when

Week of Nov. 17th: Letter Dd **Everyday words:** have, in

Week of Nov. 24th: Review **Everyday words:** review

Week of Dec. 1st: Letter Uu **Everyday words:** get

Week of Dec. 8th: Letter Vv **Everyday words:** does

Week of Dec. 15th: Letter review **Everyday words:** review