Dear Parents and Guardians,

Students have been very busy this week learning new and exciting skills. Each day the students amaze me by just how much they understand. The more you expose them, the more they want to learn ©

This week we started our Valentine theme. We discussed as a class what it means to be caring, loving, and helpful. We decided as a class that this is something we should be every day and not just on Valentine's Day. We talked about different things that we love and how we could show others that we love them.

Our letter of the week was Gg. The students brainstormed words that started with Gg and some of these words include: Galles, Gary (our custodian), gooey, gum, go, gorilla, goat, girl, and grill. Please continue to think of more words to add to the list with your child at home.

Our letter person of the week was Mr. G and is gooey gum is what makes him special. We continued to work on word building by changing the initial sound in words. For example our starting word might be gum. Then we would change out the /g/ for a /h/ sound. The students are doing excellent hearing the initial sound in words © Also in our guided reading groups we read a nonfiction book about houses. The students were all amazed at how many different materials there are to build houses. Please ask your child if they can name some of them (wood, cloth, mud, glass, stone, and bricks just to name a few).

In Math we introduced 3D shapes. We talked about the faces, vertices, and edges each shape had. We also listened to a song that helped us remember what each shape looked like. The students really enjoyed it...see if they can sing some of it for you (These are the

3D shapes that I know). We will continue to work with 3D shapes throughout the month of February.

Next week our letter focus of the week will be on Ee. We will continue our Valentine theme. Please remember to create a valentine box for our party with your child at home. These may be brought to school by February 10th. If you have any questions or unable to create one at home, please just let me know so I

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can help ©

Have a safe and warm weekend!

Mrs. Galles

Next Week (Feb 9th):

Letter: **Ee**

Everyday words: all Math: 3D shapes

Upcoming Events:

- Valentine's Day Boxes: please create a box at home with your child and send to school starting Monday, Feb. 9th. We will pass out valentines to our class on Thursday, Feb. 12th.
- 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). *Snow dates will be March 5th and 6th if needed. *Students in Jr. Kindergarten do not need to attend Round up. The students are already enrolled in the district and thus their information is on file. The students will automatically be placed in a Kindergarten classroom for the 2015 2016 school year.
- Early Dismissal: Wednesday, March 4th @ 1:30 (Elem. only)
- Wed. March 11th: End of 3rd Quarter

- Early Dismissal: Tuesday, March 17th @ 1:30 Conferences 4 7:30 (All Buildings)
- Early Dismissal: Wed. March 18th @ 1:30 In Service for Elementary Conferences for MS and HS
- Early Dismissal: Thurs. March 19th @ 1:30 Conferences 4 7:30 Elementary (In Service for MS and HS)
- NO SCHOOL: Friday, March 20th Staff Compensation Day
- Early Dismissal: Wednesday, April 1st @ 1:30 (Elem. only)
- NO SCHOOL: Friday, April 3rd and Monday, April 6th: Spring Break
- **Early Dismissal:** Wednesday, April 22nd @ 1:30 (All Buildings)

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 li 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

Week of Jan. 5th: Letter Ll Everyday words: look

Week of Jan. 12th: Letter Ww Everyday words: we

Week of Jan. 20th: Letter Oo Everyday words: this

Week of Jan. 27th: Letter Rr Everyday words: can, what

Week of Feb. 2nd: Letter Gg Everyday words: of, with

Week of Feb. 9th: Letter Ee Everyday words: all