



Weekly News from Mrs. Mikalsen's Class January 17, 2020



Language Arts:

~We looked for the Word of the Week: like in our books and poems

~In Literacy Centers we: listened to the story When It Starts to Snow in our Listening Center and then illustrated and wrote about our favorite parts; practiced literacy activities using the app ABC Mouse; practiced reading and writing the word "like" and learned how to draw a hippo and wrote a sentence about it.

~We each read some special leveled books, individually, with Mrs. Mikalsen.

~We wrote stories about what we did over the weekend. We are also creating our next class book "On a cold, cold day." We look forward to bringing it home and sharing it with our families.

~In Foundations we continued tapping out consonant-vowel-consonant (or CVC) words and we are learning how to properly write our uppercase letters. We are practicing ABC order and we've been creating rhyming words.

~Had a "snowball fight" using snowballs that had our sight words written on them. This was a fun way to practice these words.



Books:

- ~The Big Red Sled
- ~The Biggest Snowman Ever
- ~When Will It Snow?
- ~Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
- ~Lot of other "Winter Favorites"

Poems/Songs:

"Chubby Snowman"

Upcoming Events and Reminders

Monday, January 20th

No School ~ Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Wednesday, January 22nd

Scholastic Book Orders due

Monday, January 27th

Library Books Due

January 28th

Early Dismissal ~ Staff Development

Birthdays

Elishajuan 1/13
Mrs. Colavita 1/17



Math:

~We are creating and solving lots of different math stories that involve addition and subtraction, and we are writing equations to go with the stories.

~We carefully counted collections of objects. We worked on organizing these collections to make counting them both easier and more accurate.

~We are learning to define teen numbers as "ten and some more."

~We are solving math facts.



Social Studies/Science:

~We began our new science unit on Pushes and Pulls. We defined the difference between a push and a pull and we had fun "pushing" toy cars to our classmates.

~We learned about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and his message of peaceful togetherness. We read and colored booklets about Dr. King.



~Please keep your "Winter Checklist" in a prominent spot at home. Around the end of February/beginning of March I'll put something out to send them back in to school. I always find a cool prize for all who participate and complete the assignment.

Art:

~We used our fine motor skills to cut, color and assemble adorable snow globes. We were able to either design the inside of our globe or choose from a preset picture.



Please Remember to

*Read any books your child brings home. Books are now coming home in "Reading Bags" as well as in "Red Reading Folders."

*Winter weather is now here. Going outside for recess is an important part of our day. It gives us needed physical exercise as well an opportunity to practice social skills. **Please make sure that your child has appropriate outerwear so they can be warm and comfortable.**

