



# January News



Mrs. VanArsdel's Class

January 21-24

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## A Peek At Our Week

- We learned the sight words "but" & "on" this week. Keep practicing at home! Your support makes a huge difference. Thank you!!!
- Our phonemic awareness activities focused on identifying the same middle sound in a group of words.
- We reviewed the letters Ww & Xx.
- We built the -og word family (dog, fog, frog, etc.).
- Our shared reading activities this week centered around the story The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats. We made text-to-self connections and we recalled important details from the story.
- We continue to focus on the writing trait "voice" during writer's workshop.
- In handwriting we reviewed the letters Gg, Hh, & Ii.
- We continued math Topic 9-Measurement. We compared and measured the capacity of different containers. We also compared the weight of different classroom objects using a balance.
- This week we covered Unit 9-Matter in science. We learned that matter is anything that takes up space. Matter can be a liquid, solid or a gas. We practiced describing and sorting matter. We used clay to show that matter can change. We also learned how heating and cooling can change matter.

## What's Happening in Kindergarten?

- If you signed up to donate a 100<sup>th</sup> day item, please send your item to school with your child by Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup>. This way I can have time to prepare everything for all of our fun activities on Tuesday. THANK YOU to everyone for your donations!
- School will dismiss at 1:00 on Wednesday, January 29<sup>th</sup>
- January badger reading sheets are due next Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.
- Parent/Teacher conferences are Wednesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-7:30 & Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-6:00. A conference time preference sheet will be sent home with your child at the end of next week.
- There will be no school Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> and Friday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

Have a fantastic weekend! 😊