

Miss Krueger's **Kindergarten Class**

December 12th, 2014



Reading: We focused on reviewing beginning sounds, ending sounds, and syllables. We read informational texts and websites to learn information about different country's customs in regards to Christmas. The students liked to find the similarities and differences between the different countries.

Math: We have been working on making and taking apart numbers 5 – 10 this week. The students learned a special song called "Partners of 10" that goes to the tune of The Addams Family theme song. I have been very impressed to see how well the students are doing with this concept. We will be doing a review on Monday and taking a test on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Holidays Around the World: This week, the class learned about the Christmas traditions that Mexico, Holland, Israel, and Italy have. They learned the legend of the poinsettia in Mexican culture. Sinterklaas dropped off some winter themed school supplies in their clogs when we visited the Netherlands. The students learned about Menorahs and even got to play with dreidels. While looking at Italy, we learned about La Befana, a good witch, who brings presents to the children. Next week, we will be looking at England, Germany, Australia, and America's holiday traditions.

Grinch Day:

Next Friday, we will be watching the animated classic, How the Grinch Stole Christmas with Ms. Quick's class! Students are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favorite Grinch character.

Christmas Party/Polar Express Day:

The day before break (23rd), we will be having a Christmas party and Polar Express Day! Your child can come to school with their school appropriate pajamas on. Students can also bring treats for the party as well.

If your child would like to participate in the gift exchange, please bring in a \$5 or under gift. Girls would buy girl presents and boys would buy boy presents. If you're having financial difficulty and your child would like to participate, please let me know and I will be able to work something out.

Winter Concert:

The students did a terrific job last night! Thank you for coming out and seeing their performance!

Upcoming Dates: December 19th – Grinch Day December 23rd – Christmas Party and Polar Express Day December 24th – January 2nd – Winter Break

Theme for Next Week:

- Holidays Around the World
- Letter Oo
- Sight Word: "Go"

This next week is going to go fast! I hope you are all enjoying the holiday season!