

Miss Krueger's Kindergarten Class

December 19th, 2014



Literacy: This week we looked at Olive, the Other Reindeer and *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*. We reviewed what characters and settings were in each book using pictures added to a chart. We created a class book on ways we could make The Grinch grin. After break, we will continue to work on blending CVCs and other phonemic skills.

Math: The students did very well on their Chapter 4 test. We headed right into working on Chapter 5 because it was closely related to the previous chapter. Students enjoyed acting out addition story problems using the words "join in" and "in all".

Holidays Around the World: This week, the class learned about the Christmas traditions that England, Germany, and Australia have. England was the first country to start sending Christmas cards and they look forward to having Father Christmas visit them. Germans call Christmas trees "tannenbaums". The students couldn't believe how silly Santa acts while in Australia! They were amazed to see pictures of Santa arriving on a surfboard and speedboat. We took time to look at some animals that live in Australia and the students created a Christmas scene with a koala bear.

Science: When we return from break, we will be taking a closer look at paper. The students will be comparing the qualities between different types of paper and even papier mache.

Grinch Day:

Grinch Day was a success! It was great to see how the students dressed up. They loved the Jim Carey version of the movie. Thank you all for sending in the permission slips!

Christmas Party/Polar Express Day:

On Tuesday, 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.

Upcoming Dates:

December 23rd – Christmas Party and Polar Express Day December 24th – January 2nd – Winter Break

Theme for After Break:

- Arctic Animals
- Letter Uu
- Sight Word: "Do"

I'm hoping to update pictures/videos this weekend on the webpage: http://cfkruegerkindergarten.weebly.com

Today was Jose's last day and we all wish him well at his new school!

Happy holidays to you and your families!!!