

MWF 3s - Mrs. Tickner

January Newsletter

December Recap

Oh what fun we had in December! Jingles the Elf brought us a new surprise each day, and the children enjoyed playing with our candy cane themed sensory bin. We found ice on the playground on the same day that we introduced the letter I - we could not have planned it better if we tried. We made art using our fingerprints, followed a hot cocoa recipe, created patterns using ice cubes, jingled our bells while singing, and made lots of play dough cookies! We practiced counting ice cream scoops and gingerbread men, and read one of my favorite books that I used to read to my own children, Jamberry. The children also practiced their fine motor skills by making pipe cleaner candy cane shapes. We finished the month with our fun day of making gingerbread houses. We are so grateful to have this special day with the children and their families at Step By Step.

Upcoming for January

Along with the New Year will come new letters of the alphabet. Our Letters of the Week for this month are Letters L, M, N, and O. We will play Dress The Snowman and introduce our winter themed sensory bin. Some of our activities include making snowflake art, painting with marshmallows, learning about polar bears and their cubs, and a STEM activity using arctic animals. Please have your child continue to do the "flip trick" at home and zip up their coat independently as well. We have been helping the children get the zipper started and letting them finish, but over Christmas break, have your child try to start the zipper on their own. In school, we have the children put their mittens into their coat pockets, and (so far) this has helped keep the right mittens with the right child...we are proud of them!

Friendly Reminders & Important Dates

- Monday 1/13 & Wednesday 1/15 - Parent-Teacher conferences. A Sign-Up Genius was sent on Class Dojo for parents to choose their day and time to meet. Please check your confirmed day and time, and reach out ASAP if you need to reschedule.
- Monday 1/20 - MLK Day, no school.
- Friday 1/31 - Pajama and Cereal Day. Details to follow (not an event for parents to attend).

THANK YOU FOR KEEPING SICK CHILDREN AT HOME! PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD PRACTICE USING A TISSUE TO WIPE AND BLOW THEIR NOSE INDEPENDENTLY.