

Classroom News

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♥ Winter Celebration~Class Party : Thursday, Dec. 19th from 12:55-1:55 PM.

♥ The Sign Up Genius page:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0445a5ad2ea7fcl-winter2>

♥ Also, if you'd like to sign out your child after the Winter Celebration/Party, I'll have a class list for you to sign out your child & date in our classroom so they can come home with you early, thanks ☺!

Important Dates

- ♥ 12/19-Winter Celebration/Class Party from 12:55-1:55 PM
- ♥ 12/20-1/03/20-Winter Break
- ♥ 1/06/20- School Resumes

Other Fun Highlights

December Birthdays

Kayden S.- Dec. 5th

Jack- Dec. 7th



Social Emotional Learning:

- * We learned about how having empathy and understanding, maybe because they have felt that way too, can help to respond in caring ways.
- * We also learned how to identify problems associated with stereotypes and over generalizations.

Learning Focus

- ♥ **Skills/Writing:** We have begun to read words that contain digraphs. Digraphs can also be called letter teams :ch, sh, and th (the buzzy "th" (them) or the non-buzzy "th"(that) - we call these sister sounds).
- ♥ **Reading:** This week we ended our domain on Native Americans. We had a special guest speaker from the Navajo tribe visit us and share her cultural experiences. Students got to see a cradleboard, moccasins and her tribal ceremonial dress. We began reading and comparing different gingerbread stories for the remainder of the week. Our focus standards were on the elements of a story and comparing and contrasting different versions of the story. Some of the stories we have read are, *The Gingerbread Boy*, *The Gingerbread Girl*, *The Gingerbread Ninja*, *The Gingerbread Cowboy*, and *The Gingerbread Man Loose in School*.
- ♥ **Math:** We have began a new concept: Understanding Addition. In kindergarten, we learn about composing and decomposing groups of objects and verbally describing the process with these words: **and** - to describe joining, **plus**, and **putting together**. Other vocabulary words they will be using: **add**, **equal**, **equation**, **expression** and **total**. They will also learn what an **equal sign** is and understand that it means *the same as* and they will learn about a **plus sign** - the symbol that means to *add*. Furthermore, they will begin to think about how addition is used in everyday situations by drawing real world objects that might be added.

