



Preschool January Newsletter



What We are Learning:

We will be learning about winter animals, like penguins and polar bears. We will discuss the needs of living things, and ways to respect and care for them.

We will learn about snowflakes, winter weather, and ways that we adapt to our environments.

We will be looking at colors and 2D and 3D shapes. We will look for 2D shapes in our 3D shapes. We will be focusing on circles and squares. Children will explore ways to make new shapes by combining 2D shapes.

We will continue to work on respecting personal space.

Happily Ever After:

We will be diving back into our literacy series reading, "Jingles, Poems, and Rhymes" in Unit 5. This story is composed of many different short poems and rhymes. We will be focusing on recognition of l i, J j, and K k. We will also spend time practicing positional words including, in front of, in back of, next to, behind, and between. We will focus on purple and square.

At the end of the month we will be starting the next story, "The Nightingale." This story is about an emperor who keeps a nightingale bird locked in a cage. The bird feels sad and lonely while in the cage and does not want to sing for the emperor. Through this story we will focus on the different emotions that the characters are feeling. We will also work on vocabulary words: first, next, last, left, & right.

Religion:

In Religion we will be learning about The Holy Family and The Three Kings. We will learn that God gives each of us a family that loves and cares for us. We will discuss ways that we can show love to our families, too. We will talk about what we like to do with our families, and places we like to go with our families. We will celebrate Catholic Schools Week together at the end of January.

Reminders:

As the weather gets colder, please remember to send your child with warm clothing for going outside, especially for recess, including hats and gloves!

Please continue to practice putting on winter clothing independently!

** If your child wears winter boots to school please provide gym shoes as well for the classroom. Thank you.

Important Dates:

Monday, 1/6/20 Return to School

Friday, 1/17/20 Fun Food Friday

Monday, 1/20/20 No School

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Sunday, 1/26/20 Starts Catholic Schools Week
8:30 a.m. Mass Open House/Pancake Breakfast

Wednesday, 1/29/20 McTeacher Night at
Stratford McDonald's