



Pre-K January 2019 Newsletter

Mrs. Vaughan and Mrs. Shapiro

January is going to be an exciting month in Pre-K! This month our dramatic play area will be transformed into an ice cream parlor and at the end of the month it will change to a post office. Our writing center will become a winter writing station where snow and snowmen will be our theme. The kids will use rhyme matching cards, snowball sight word matching games, mitten rhyming games, penguin sound matching games and they will trace snowman letters. They will also be able to trace letters and words on our snow writing trays. (salt and blue glitter) We will have snowflake letter match up games and write our “winter words” throughout the month. Our sensory bin will be filled with artificial snow early in the month, sensory balls and noodles and colored water, soapy water and water with ice cubes near the end of the month. We will also be making snowmen with play-dough. In our math center, we will be measuring with snowball rulers and cotton balls and we will practice counting with snowflakes and our “build a snowman game.” The kids will also work on counting and sorting with “snowman stew” and making winter number lines with erasers. We will continue with patterning by playing winter themed pattern games.

This month we will be covering the letters Jj, Dd, Pp and Bb and will learn numbers 13-16. The children will be making jack in the boxes, dinosaurs, donuts, snow globes, penguins, snowflakes, shape people, bumble bees, birds and so much more. On Wednesday, January 15th, we will have a game day with parent volunteers. Be looking for the sign up. We will also have a letter “P” picnic on Jan. 24th where our snack will be foods that start with the letter “P”. I will have a sign up for those of you that would be willing to bring in a few snacks for us to have during “P” week.

Throughout the month, individual assessments will be taking place in preparation for conferences during the week of January 21st. Times will be offered before school and after school throughout the week with most being on Friday the 25th. A sign-up genius email will be sent for conference times available.

Please remember to dress your child appropriately (we will go outside weather permitting). January is full of cold and “blustery days.”

Throughout the month, please look for our volunteer sign ups outside of our classroom? We have a new classroom volunteer list/calendar that covers January through March.

Special Reminder: Conferences will be the week of January 21st

January 3rd- First day back to school

January 7th – Chapel (Patience)

January 21st- No school (MLK Day)

January 24th- Letter P picnic (all foods will start with the letter P for our snack!)

January Birthdays: Maren Clark – 9th

Crosley Jacobs – 9th

Layla Graves – 16th

Wilson Dean – 17th

Star of the Week: Crosley Jacobs and Benjamin Costa (Jan. 7-10)

Wilson Dean and Brysen Forwood (Jan. 14-17)

Ellison Krohn and Mason Pendleton (Jan 28-31)

Play-dough for January: The Bentley and Stoltzfus families **(Please make white play- dough. This is a change from red that was originally on the sheet)**

As always, if anyone has any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at 513-490-3700 or alvaughan@cinci.rr.com