

January News

Mrs. Bourgeault's Class



Literacy News

We are practicing our reading skills every day! We are writing sentences about different topics by ourselves and will continue to do lots of writing.

We are half way through Unit 3 in our reading series. We will be learning to read and write short vowel words with o, e, and u. Our high frequency words for Unit 3 are: **me, with, she, see, look, they, you, of.** Being able to read and write these words is very important to reading success. Blending sounds into words is another very important component as well as comprehending what they are reading. The most important thing you can do now is to **practice, practice, practice** reading. That will make the difference in reading success this year. The basic knowledge has been taught. Now they need practice to cement the skills and gain fluency. I wish I could listen to each child read every day, but time does not allow that. So, individual practice is in your hands! Find some easy readers at the library with mostly short vowel words, but long vowel words will be taught this year too.

In grammar, we are learning about verbs. Some verbs have an -s and some -ed to indicate the past. We also will be identifying sentences. Our comprehension skills include cause and effect, plot, drawing conclusions and main idea.

Math News

The children have completed the math chapter on numbers to 10 and identifying more/fewer with numbers to 10. We were assessed before vacation. Our unit now is on measuring using non standard units. We measure length, capacity, and area. We estimate our measurements before measuring.

Some children are reversing numbers and need continued practice. Please practice counting by 10's.

This and That

*Children should be able to zip their coats by themselves to help us get outside for recess.

*Please practice tying shoes. They can do it!

*Please send in healthy snacks for snack time.

*We will exchange Valentine cards on Feb. 14th. Again, we cannot share any food, but other little non food treats are welcome! The class enjoyed the Christmas card swap. Please send in a special treat for your own child to enjoy that day. I will send another class list before Valentine's Day.

