

Carr & Crosby's Classroom Corkboard

December 22, 2017

Edition 8

Enjoy a well-earned December Break, with family and friends. Make memories, go on adventures and rest up for new learning in January! Remember, Sports for Life will be kicked off January 11th!



Literacy



Reading: Guided Reading Groups are up and running and will continue with fidelity after December Break! Together, students discuss what they have read to show evidence of their thinking within, beyond and about the text!

Writing: This week in your child's Friday Folder, you will find their published narrative piece! This is a story told in the moment, bit by bit! Sit down, relax and let your kiddo proudly share their writing with you. After break, a new writing unit will spark individuality and require students to take a stand for they believe.

Word Work: Our current study of words focuses on homophones - words that sound the same, but look and mean different things. Try playing around with words over the vacation, swapping out homophones to make wacky meanings from common sentences....."I knead breakfast!" :)

Mathematicians at Work



Students have begun exploring division, using an area model. We have discovered the connection between the area model and the standard long division set-up. Ask them if they can show you how the area model works!

This month's calendar pattern focused on classifying special kinds of quadrilaterals. The students focused on defining attributes, like congruent sides and angles. They also compared pairs of parallel and perpendicular sides.

Save the Date

December Recess
Dec. 25 - Jan. 1

Sports for Life
January 11th

Lanpher Library
Books Due
January 11th

No School
Monday, Jan. 15th

Mystery Science!



We began our "Chemical Magic" unit that helps students develop the concepts of "substances" and "chemical reactions." Students see that chemical reactions enable us to make new materials by transforming the ones we have. Ask your kiddos about our copper transformations!



Online Corkboards

Take a peek at our online websites!

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<http://crosbyscorkboard.weebly.com/>

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Holiday Celebration

Our Holiday Celebration was a wonderful day spent with friends. We made igloos and snowflakes, watched The Santa Clause, had hot tea and played a gift swap game!

Fun activities you can do over break:

bake cookies, freeze popsicles, make play-dough, go on a nature walk, have a dance party, find a cool science experiment, create a winter obstacle course, play a board game, go on a photo hunt or read the Dynamath magazine and attempt the KenKen and Math Puzzlers in the Friday Folder! Remember, Dreambox and Reflex Math are always options, too! Links are on both classroom websites!

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