

CLASSROOM



NEWS

Week of:

December 11th - 15th

Important Dates:

- 12/22--Last day of school before winter - break & classroom celebrations
- 1/8--School resumes

A Note from Ms. Samaan:

I hope everyone enjoyed the Winter Sing! The kids were so excited and did such an amazing job! This past week was so busy and next week will be as well. Also, we had a new student, Gianna, join our class community! Our class did such a wonderful job welcoming her to our room!

What We Did This Week:

Literacy:

This week turned our animal research notes into informational summaries about our animals. While everyone is working at their own pace, we are mostly at the point of creating our final projects on google slides. After analyzing non-fiction texts, our class determined the text features that would be required to include in their projects and after break, we will work together to create a rubric that is mostly student generated! I am looking forward to seeing all of their hard work turn into their final product!

Math Workshop:

This week we spent some time exploring the distributive property as a strategy to help when multiplying. The distributive property says that a multiplication fact can be broken apart into the sum of two other multiplication facts. Ex: $5 \times 4 = (2 \times 4) + (3 \times 4)$. Next week we will work on mental math to multiply by hundreds, as well as solving multiplication word problems. I will be sending home some optional winter break multiplication homework next week!

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Social Studies/ Science:

- This week we continued our animal research projects and we are at the point of creating our final products. Next week we will be learning about explorers in social studies. We will learn about explorers from different time periods and draw conclusions based on discoveries made. Our explorer unit will also cover local explorers and focus on national, state, and local explorers. This unit will continue when we return from winter break.

A Snapshot of Our Week!

