

K4B December 22nd Newsletter

This Week's Activities



Math: We did one Saxon lesson to work on before, after and between with number identification. Scholars should know the numbers 0-10. We just finished learning how to write all of the numbers! We did some Christmas math coloring sheets which included coloring, counting and shape identification.

Social Studies/Religion: This week was the fourth week of Advent. We lit the last candle on the Advent wreath.

Today we finished the Story of Christmas (The Nativity Story).

Reading: We reviewed the letters and letter sounds! Keep practicing over break as we will begin to put the letter sounds together to read! Use the letter review sheet to see what letters your scholar needs more practice with!

Art in the classroom: The reindeer gift bags and the wrapped gift were sent home on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Art with Ms. Hardy: Art projects included a clay sculpture and a yarn tree.

Social Studies: Over the past three weeks we have discussed and learned about national and cultural holidays that are celebrated in December. We identified Christmas as a time to celebrate Jesus's birth (and when Santa visits). We identified Kwanzaa as an African celebration of family, unity and values. Each day a Kinara candle is lit as a value is celebrated. We identified Hanuakkah as the Festival of Lights. The Jewish people only had enough oil to keep a lantern lit for one day but a miracle occurred and the oil lasted eight days. Each day for 8 days a candle is lit on the Menorah. The middle candle is used to light the other candles. We identified La Posada as a party that reenacts the journey that Mary and Joseph took and celebrates the birth of Jesus. Poinsettias and nativity scenes are popular decorations. Along with learning about each holiday the scholars created a special gift called December's Joyful Celebrations. Your scholars had a hand in creating the images and in writing holiday messages! Ask your scholars to identify the holidays and the pictures they made!

Items send home this week:

***Family Christmas Card**

***Letter Review Sheet**

***December Celebration worksheets-part of math activities**

- **Love Began on Christmas day**-Scholars colored by number.
- **Kinara Shape Count**-Scholars counted shapes found on the Kinara and colored the candles.
- **Christmas Tree**- Scholars connected the dots to show a Christmas tree. They also counted the shapes found on the tree and colored it in.
- **Eight Colorful Gifts**-Scholars read and colored the gifts.

***Religion:** 3 Wise Men coloring sheet and Lesson 24 from Alleu.

***Scholastic Magazine-** Holiday Countdown

Gift Bags were from Ms. Ramirez!

**Have a very Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year!
Mrs. Bauer**

Scholars return on January 3rd

Homework will also be due!