

Kindergarten News for February 2012

It is almost here! We will make a quick stop this week to herald the Groundhog who seems to have sent spring already. Let's hope the bulbs peeking out do not freeze.

We have been counting pennies in a penny jar since the first day of school. We are quickly approaching the 100th day of school, on Feb. 6th. Please have your child bring in his or her "collection" of 100 things on that date. Make sure that the collection can fit into a shopping bag (reg. sized)...ex: 100 matchbox cars, 100 trading cards, 100 paper clips...my milkcaps!

Thanks so much for sending the collections of snack bags. As you can see from our pictures posted, it is quite a learning experience for them...making families of tens and counting groups of 10. What hands on learning we are doing, and you are providing a nice variety of snacks to last us awhile. We will be making 100 mini- sundaes for the entire school as well as bigger ones for us.

Thanks to Hannah's dad for the morning of folksongs and Winston's mom for the great Korean New Year's lesson complete with bulgogi. The recipe has been requested by more than several moms, so it was a big hit.

After the 100 days hoopla is over, we quickly move to Valentine's Day and our shirt making project. We purchased shirts for us to sign, so **DO NOT SEND VALENTINE CARDS**. We will decorate and sign the shirts. The party will be February 14th. We have had a request to make breakfast, so we will make waffles and ice cream for the party. We do not need candy!!! If you want to send something to add to our breakfast, let me know. It is not required as you have all sent lots of food this month already.

We will also focus on Presidents Day this month and the job of the president. We will learn about President Obama and his family (and of course his dog who enjoys a huge approval rating). It is also Dental Health month for children. We will survey the downstairs to check on their dental habits and make graphs. We will count our teeth. Talk about brushing, flossing, healthy snacking, etc. at home, too.

We will be learning about number words in addition to our 10's and ones. Look for a poem about snowmen. (I am tired of waiting for the big snow to do this cute activity so we will forge ahead soon, and hope it snows in 2013.) Enjoy your Leap Day!