

## What's Happening in Kindergarten?

**Classroom Holiday  
Celebrations and  
PAJAMA DAY  
8:45**  
**Breakfast and  
Performances will be  
in separate  
classrooms. Students  
should come to school  
wearing pajamas!**

**Winter Break---**  
December 22nd-  
January 5th.

**DECEMBER 22 ---**  
**school is out**  
**at 12:30.**

**MLK Day---**No  
School January 15th

## Highlights from Ms. Perez & Ms. Alison's Room

- ✚ Hats off to all of our students this week for doing such a great job reviewing beginning sounds! We did a beginning sound assignment that required a lot of focus and they really worked hard on it. They are really making progress with reading CVC words (consonant/vowel/consonant), we do a lot of practice on the board, taking turns reading. For practice at home you can have them write down CVC words that you say to them.
  - ✚ In Math we continued making progress with Dreambox. If you need the link and login information to use it at home, please shoot me an email. I would love to see everyone using it over the holiday break. We learned about the difference between 2D and 3D shapes, and built different shapes of our own using tangrams.
  - ✚ In Science, we had so much fun doing a really cool experiment using our senses to guess what was hidden in cups.
  - ✚ In Art, the kids made beautiful neon Holiday Trees that you can see hung up in class. They also got a chance to really show their artistic abilities making stepping stones for our garden. We had our first nutrition class on Thursday. The kids worked together to make a yummy apple crisp! We also had a contest with making our own butter in a mason jar; teachers vs students! We were all winners in the end when we got to eat our homemade butter on french bread. ;)
- **If you have not yet practiced page 1 from the Sight Word book, please practice with your child over the weekend and return it on Monday.**

## Highlights from Ms. Hope & Ms. Mayes's Room

- ✚ This week we continued working on our Gingerbread Neighborhood project. The students are having so much fun answering our driving questions: *Can gingerbread be something besides a man? How can we build a gingerbread community?*
  - ✚ We've continued working on beginning sounds and also comprehending story structure- focusing on characters, settings and plots, which we are using to help us with our project.
  - ✚ We continued our geometry unit and played the game *Fill the Hexagon*, which helps students recognize how different shapes can fit into other shapes in multiple ways. We also used our pattern block shapes to make snowflakes in different ways.
  - ✚ The students earned their Disco Donut Party for filling up our warm fuzzy jar!
  - ✚ Our class has been doing FABULOUS work during Writer's Workshop. Students are using their letter sounds to write words and our word wall to write sight words. Please encourage your child to keep using letter sounds to make words, especially words that are easy to sound out and have a clear beginning, middle and ending sound. These are called CVC words- (consonant vowel consonant) for example: pet, sad, tin, log, rug)
- **Homework and Folders are due by Friday. We send them home on Fridays so you have a week to get everything done!**