

NOVEMBER



We have had a wonderful and fast November here in room 2. This month we got our first true taste of the cold weather for the year!

We read many versions of the story Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We love this story and have enjoyed seeing how different authors change the story but each one still follows the same main story line. We made puppets that are coming home today so that your child can retell the story to you! We have worked hard on letters, both uppercase and lowercase. A fun and easy game to play at home is to write all the uppercase letters and lowercase letters on separate cards and then play a matching game. This is great letter identification practice for your kindergartener. We have started learning about families this month too. We will continue to talk about families in the month of December! In honor of our Veteran's this month, we wrote letters to our troops and each child drew a picture and we wrote a sentence thanking them for many different reasons such as

protecting us, keeping us safe and leaving their families for their job. Mrs. Sapp sent our letters to "Operation Gratitude" in California, and our letters will be passed along to troops as care packages.

We had a great time on our story walk at Midcoast Hospital. We walked the trail as we read and acted out the book Wild Animal Alphabet by Dahlov Ipcar. It stays there all year long in case your family wants to check it out. It is a wonderful free activity to promote exercise and literacy!

In writer's workshop we have been writing A LOT!! We are learning to stretch out the sounds in words and write the sounds that we are hearing. Our goal is to write the first sound we hear, and then if we can do that, write other sounds we hear after the first sound! Give your child paper and let them write at home; it is a favorite time of the day here in room 2 for many.

In math, we have worked on ordering by size, length and weight. We are also learning about composing and decomposing numbers up to 10 by ordering numbers, counting on, same number, more, less (fewer), and how many in all. This provides a strong

foundation for mental addition and subtraction. We continue to learn about the calendar, recording the weather and we count the number of days we have been here at school; we are 53 days smarter!!



Puppy and Snail have continued teaching us about our listening rules and they are teaching us about feelings. We also learned to have empathy for others.

Firefighter John came and taught us about items in our house that are hot or *could* be hot.



- December 6- Early Release@ 1:10
- December 6- Wear your favorite jersey to kick off the Coffin School Food Drive
- December 6-13 Food Drive
- December 13- Wear our school colors (blue and green)
- December 20- Gingerbread Craft Day *info will come home soon*
- December 25–January 1- Vacation, No School



*The cold weather is here to stay! Please send children to school with hats and gloves/mittens daily. If your child is wearing winter boots to school, they must bring a change of shoes to wear inside. Always dress for the weather as we will go outside for recess if it is not raining at the start of our recess time. We also go outside as long as it is 10 degrees or above all winter.

*Please remember to send your child to school with their library book every *Monday* for library class.

*Check your child's red take home folder daily!

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Best,

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