



January 2012

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year!!! I hope you all had a Merry Christmas and enjoyed the break with your family.

Well it is time to get back to business. There are only a few weeks left in the second quarter, and we have a lot of work to do. We will spend some time reviewing skills we have learned, and then we will be studying many fun and interesting things.

Math News

The children continue to work on multiplication and division. We are working with fact families and are doing daily drills on our multiplication facts. Please help with this by quizzing your child on their math facts. Just like with addition and subtraction it is best to try to memorize these facts. So, of course, I have more math wheels! They will be coming home this month so please look for them. We will also be working on decimals later in the month.

Language Art News

The children will finish verbs this month and we will continue working on writing. Your child will also get information about a written animal report that will be due later this month. The guidelines are pretty clear and this is a fun research project that should be enjoyable. Look for the guidelines to come home with your child. The guidelines can also be accessed on the website by clicking on the calendar date.

We will be reading the book *Mr. Popper's Penguin* in class. Be sure to ask your child about this book. Later in the month we will make our own penguins and rookeries.

I also have a fun science project planned to get us ready for the snow.

Just a few reminders:

Please check with your child to see if he or she is in need of supplies.

Please review the work in Friday folders with your child and sign and return the folders.

The work does not need to be returned.

Have your child read at least 15 minutes and practice math wheels each evening.

Check assignment notebooks nightly.

If you have any questions or concerns, please get in touch with me.

God Bless you and your family,

Mrs. Sarah Chevlin

