

Monday, February 19, 2024

Dear Parents,

Once again, a "Giant Thank You" for all of the parents that sent in things to make our Valentine's Party a wonderful success, "Thank You!!"

This week will be titled "Balto the Most Famous Sled Dog" We will focus on sled dog traveling and how many Inuit still use dog sleds to travel over the ice and snow. This week will basically conclude our Alaskan visit. We will be reviewing arctic animal facts with emphasis on the polar bear, seal, walrus, and whale. In addition, we will continue to learn about the traditional Inuit life style. We will learn that the whole village of Inuit men go out on a boat called a umiak to hunt for whale. One whale will provide enough food for the village for several months. The children will be having fun with an arctic sensory tub, ice fishing, and watching ice fizz. Vocabulary for the week will include: Nanook, beluga, narwhal, tusk, quiloat, umiak, and baleen.

Work with the letter Ee will continue as the children print E and e and explore the objects in the Ee tub. We will also go for a walk around school to see how many exit signs we can find. The letter Ss will then be introduced as the children make Ss on the magic board and name the objects on the Ss picture card.

The numeral 13 will be reviewed with emphasis on numeral recognition in mixed order. We will continue with simple addition pattern sequencing and positions in space. The children will be counting to 50.

Rhyme Time will include a new variety of rhyming pictures. Color words and "at" words will continue to be our sight words.

In addition, we will be learning more about the heart within our bodies.



The Book We Read - Reminder- Please help your child pick out a book to read. Then help them to complete the attached "The Book We Read" worksheet and return it sometime throughout the week to share with the class.

Special Days of the Week:

Tuesday, February 20th - Each child is to bring in one numeral either 11, 12. Or 13.

Wednesday, February 21st - Each child is to bring in one object that an Inuit might have in an igloo. No toys please.

Thursday, February 22nd - Each child is to bring in a picture of a dog. We will determine whether each dog would make a good sled dog or not.

Friday, February 23rd -Show-and-Tell.

Thanks a bunch for your fantastic support and cooperation!

Mary Jane and Barb

