

FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 2,
2016

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten kids made these fun wreaths this week. I hope you have a place to hang them up at home for decoration!



Dear Families,

Happy December! Hard to believe that we have fewer than three weeks of school left before the December break -- time is really flying by this school year.

Even though we had an interrupted week with school closed Tuesday, we've been busy and moving along in the Kindergarten classroom. We continue to have daily literacy center time, with students working in groups of three or four, participating in four different literacy related stations each day. We continue to work on letter recognition and writing, as well as symbol/sound relationship understanding. On the iPads this week we took our second Star360 assessment to see what progress and skills students are making and working towards, and we also used the iPads for listening to stories on an app called "Epic."

In math we are continuing to write our digits, while also working on the numbers to 20 and beyond. We began playing a game to recognize and remember combinations that

add to five, and another game looking at addition to ten. We have not yet started to write out addition sentences, but that is coming soon.

We continue to work on behavior expectations and acts of kindness in the kindergarten room, acting out how to solve conflict and brainstorming strategies to help create collaboration. I have noticed an increase of some impulsive behaviors in the kids over the past week, and I want to make sure that students are continuing to take care of each other and stop and think before acting out.

Lots going on this month -- and who knows what the weather will bring! Hopefully we can all have a great month ahead, and I look forward to all that it bring.

Take care -- Elizabeth

Upcoming Dates:

Friday, December 9: Noon release
Thursday, December 15: Holiday Concert 6:30
Thursday, December 22: Noon release