## Mrs. Strehlow 4K Newsletter January 10, 2016



## Important Updates

Welcome back to school! I pray that your Christmas break was as good as mine. I spent every minute with family. Both of my children and my future daughter-in-law were in town and we all spent a weekend with my entire extended family celebrating Christmas and my Mom's 85th birthday. God is good!

It has been a great week back at school! I have introduced many new concepts and the kids have been excited for all the new opportunities for learning. We started a daily math lesson and have introduced sight words that will be added to our word wall each week.

Thanks to all of you that donated jello or your time to work at the Shoot Out Basketball Tournament this weekend. PTL will need your help again February 11-14 for the Classic 7th and 8th grade basketball tournament.

# Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 1/20-PM Chapel

Monday 1/25-Friday 1/29 -Lutheran Schools Week

Wednesday 1/27 - AM Chapel

Friday 2/12 - Valentine's Day Party

### Jesus' Time

We learned about Simeon and Anna, 2 of Jesus' older friends who met Jesus when he was 6 weeks old. We learned that Jesus loves all people, no matter how old they are, and we should share Jesus' love with all people.

#### Books & Videos This Week

- My H Sound Box
- Let's Stay Healthy
- Sleep, Big Bear, Sleep
- Video- When Water Freezes
- Fun with Ice and Snow
- The Gingerbread Man

#### Letter of the Week

We learned the letter H this week with the story of Happy Hippo. We made a helicopter wheel of H words and listened for h words in the poem, "Horse by the Hay". We made hot dogs for snack on Friday.

Everyone can bring in something that starts with the letter I next Friday.

#### Theme - Winter

We discussed the changes in weather now that winter has arrived. We read the book, "When Winter Comes" to look at all the changes. We learned how the temperature affects the kind of weather we get and made a thermometer and set it at 32 degrees.

#### Centers

- I-pads Practiced H and h.
- Computer- Picked out sight words on the computer.
- Practiced reading sight words from the Weekly Reader.
- Made and "read" a Weekly Reader book, "Fun with Ice and Snow". This was our first reading experience as a class. I hope the kids shared this book at home with you.
- Changed our name tags and learned to write our names with one uppercase letter and all other letters lowercase. We practiced this in our journals.
- Learned to draw a heart.

#### Math

We learned songs to help us remember how to make numbers 1 - 5 and practiced making them. We are learning to "skywrite" the numbers so the kids can practice writing their numbers in the air for you. We also were introduced to 2 manipulatives, teddy bear counters and pattern blocks. We also made a graph.

Next Week: Snack and Mystery Bag

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