

## *Weekly Notes January 11, 2022*

### *Office Notes*

Dear MSR Families,

As we proceed into 2022 we continue to remain cautious and aware of the ever-changing COVID-19 environment. As a quick reminder, please note that if your child or a member of your immediate household tests positive for COVID-19 we ask that the student not return to school until all members of the household can present a negative PCR test. Southeastern Pathology is an available resource and offers daily testing until 12:00pm. Results are typically available same-day. Thank you all for your continued efforts to help keep our MSR community safe and healthy!

Ms. Melanie & Ms. Jamie

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### *Ms. Ginny & Ms. Kelly's Class*

We are having so much fun with our winter and arctic animal crafts! They love to paint and use the glue!!

Please continue to monitor your child before sending him/her to school. We are hoping to keep them all as healthy as possible.

Don't forget there will be no school on Monday, January 17<sup>th</sup> for MLK Day. Enjoy the long weekend!

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns!!

Ms. Ginny & Ms. Kelly

### *Ms. Shannon, Ms. Rachel & Ms. Savannah's Class*

This week we are continuing on with our winter studies. We had a great lesson on the animals of Antarctica. They love the penguins. Today we talked about different kinds of penguins, where they live, and what they eat. Ask your toddler if they can tell you something about the penguins? Some good questions to start with are: Who carries the egg? How do the babies eat? Do they live at the North Pole or the South Pole? Can they fly? What are the penguins' names with the silly names and the yellow feathers on their heads?

Please remember to label all the jackets, mittens, and hats that come to school. We will go out if the temperature is over 32 degrees. However, if the real feel is below freezing or if it's really wet then we may not. Please remember that we can't have scarves at school because they are a hazard on the playground.

We will be closed on Monday, January 17 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. I hope you enjoy your long weekend.

Ms. Shannon, Ms. Rachel, & Ms. Savannah

## *Ms. Angie, Ms. Sydney, & Ms. Anna Kate's Class*

We had a great first week back to school after Christmas break. The kids were so excited to see their friends and to do work in class. We will continue our studies on the Polar Regions. We have been discussing the Arctic and Antarctica. We have learned about the animals and where they live in the Polar Regions. The children are loving it.

We would like to remind everyone that we are asking our children to wear masks at this time. We want to keep everyone as safe as possible and feel that this is one step that we can do at this time. Please make sure that your child has masks with them for school. Our children love to play outside--even in the cold. If weather permits, we will anticipate daily outdoor playtime. Please make sure that your child has a jacket at school. All outerwear needs to be labeled so we can reduce lost and found things. No school on Monday, January 17th in observance of Martin Luther King Day. A three-day weekend is going to be nice.

Have a great week and stay warm and healthy.

Ms. Angie, Ms. Sydney, & Ms. Anna Kate

## *Ms. Valerie & Ms. Christina's Class*

Hello,

We hope everyone had a wonderful weekend!

The children have settled in so nicely after the break and they all are doing beautiful work in the classroom. This week we will continue to learn about the Polar Regions and the different animals that live there. We will also learn about Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and the importance of World Peace. If anyone has a book relating to what we are learning about, your child may bring it in to share with the class!

### Friendly Reminders:

\* Please make sure your child has a mask on before they enter the building. We want to do our best to keep the children as safe as possible.

\* There is no school on Monday, January 17th (In observance of Martin Luther King Day)

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to us!

Warm Regards,

Ms. Valerie & Ms. Christina

## *Ms. Dolores & Ms. Robin's Class*

We are settling back into our class routines and enjoying our African continent studies.

Several students have overdue library books. Please return them to school so that your children can check out new books.

Please label coats. We still have several unlabeled, abandoned jackets and sweatshirts hanging in the hallway at the end of each day.

Scholastic book order forms went home last week. You may order books online and have them shipped to your home or to the school. Our class code is: W6X9Y We receive free books for the classroom when students/families order books using our code.

There is no school next Monday, the 17th, in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.

Ms. Dolores & Ms. Robin

## *Ms. Stefanie's Class*

Everyone has settled back into our classroom routine, and we've had an easy transition from Christmas break. Thank you all for your patience regarding the changing location for drop off and pick up. We hope the playground and gate area will dry out this week so we can begin using it again!

Winter is in full swing, so please help your child to remember to dress appropriately for the cold weather. When temperatures are below freezing, please remind your child to cover all exposed skin for protection. If it will be below 50 degrees outside at recess, every student must have a jacket for us to go outside. We will always go out for recess, whenever possible, when the temperature is above freezing.

Please make sure your child has any & all needed flatware packed in his or her lunchbox for snack or lunch. This includes forks, spoons, or anything else they may need to eat their food. Every student also needs a water bottle every day.

Next Monday, January 17th, will be a school holiday as we celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. I hope you all enjoy the long weekend!

Ms. Stefanie

## *Ms. Rebecca and Ms. Kaitlin's Class*

Parents:

Students have settled into their routine and continue to review fundamental concepts forgotten over the break. Review, repetition, and practice are the key to maintaining mastery as students progress to more complex curriculum.

Don't forget we have a 3-day weekend!!! Monday is MLK day and the school will be closed.

This Friday will be the last Classical Roots test (Lesson 16) for the current book. Next week, students will take their Classical Roots cumulative test. This test will cover all lessons for the entire book. Thursday's test will include: spelling, parts of speech, and roots will be extra credit. Friday's test will include 10 definitions and 10 sentences from the words given on Thursday.

Other Reminders:

\* Thursday - Language HW due

\* 2nd Semester Books Due ASAP (Hatchet & Tuck Everlasting)

Ms. Rebecca & Ms. Kaitlin