



Manatee Messenger

December 12th, 2011

Upcoming

Literacy News

This week we are working on:

- Blending sounds, Onset and Rime, Initial Sounds
- Alphafriend:
Vinnie Volcano & Andy Apple
- Comprehension Skills
Text Organization & Summarizing; Cause & Effect
- Vocabulary: Short a words, Position Words; Action words
- Wall Words: I, see, my, like a, to

Practice Reading:

"Nat at Bat"

A Vat"

"I See a Playground"

"I Like Rainbows"

Don't Forget Your

Child's Gift for the Gift Exchange!!

We are asking each parent to buy and wrap a \$5.00 gift for their own child. This gift will be brought in and opened during our Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 21st.

- **Fri. Dec. 16th**
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Field Trip in AM
- **Mon. Dec. 19th**
Grinch Day
- **Tues. Dec. 20th**
Reindeer Day
- **Wed. Dec. 21st**
Treat Street & Xmas Party
- **Thur. Dec. 22nd-
Jan. 2nd**
Christmas Break

Permission Slips Are Due Now!

Permission slips for our field trip to Mutch's Tree Farm are due now. We will be leaving as soon as possible. Chaperones need to be in the classroom by 8:30am.

Dress for the Weather

Please have your child dress appropriately for the weather. We do go outside for recess unless the temperature or wind chill is 15 or below. Be sure your child has gloves or mittens, a hat, snow pants and boots.

Happy Birthday

Alexis Hatfield
Dec. 8th

Cooper Lynch
Dec. 12th

Anthony Laurain
Dec. 29th

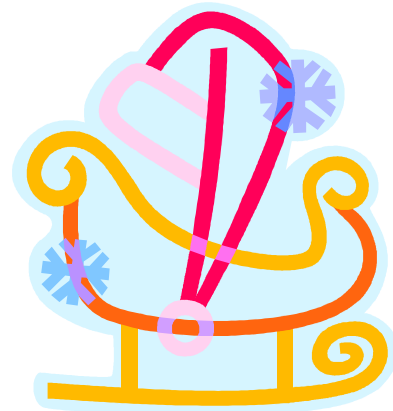
Science

Our manatees discovered why we use magnets. They discussed the terms *attract* and *repel*. They also learned the names of types of magnets and magnetic fields.

Treat Street & Trolleys!

Treat Street is on Dec. 21st. It is a special day at Chatfield before Christmas Break. There are reindeer, trolley rides and a visit to treat street to enjoy cocoa and cookies. Siblings are welcome to attend!

Mrs. Houghtaling's Trolley Ride is scheduled for 9:30am and **Mrs. Popovici's** class is scheduled at 9:45am.



Special Manatees!

For the week of December 12th, **Alex Houghtaling** will be the special manatee.



Asellah Garcia is the special manatee in Mrs. Popovici's class for the week of December 12th.

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Specials Schedule

Monday - Music

Tuesday - Gym and Spanish

Wednesday - Art

Thursday - Gym and Spanish

Be sure your child wears tennis shoes on gym day!