

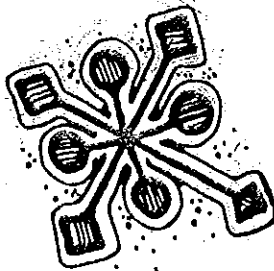
# JANUARY

## Things that we learned the week of January 24

- Zipping up coats is something we do everyday. It's not easy, but we try real hard! So... we decided to work on the letter **Zz** (for zipping!) this week. We learned it's sound and sign, practiced tracing/writing **Zz**, talked about several **Zz** words that we know: zip, zoo, zebra, zigzag, and worked on our **Zz** page for our alphabet book.
- We continued reviewing our Nursery Rhymes that we we've learned so far this month. **Hickory Dickory Dock** was added to our collection this week. Besides practicing the rhyme we got to make our own clock too. We wrote our own numbers on it 1-12 and Mrs. Schaefer was so very impressed with our number writing!!! We can't wait to learn how to tell time now!
- We took a break from our winter animal the penguin and began discussing **Bears** instead. Hibernation was talked about, as well as, where bears live, what they look like, and what they eat. We pretended to act like bears, acted out a "Going on a Bear Hunt" song, met a bear named Corduroy (made our own Corduroy bear too!), and we can't wait for Monday so we can share our own favorite teddy bear at our Teddy Bear Picnic! We will have Teddy Grahms, milk, sing a few Teddy Bear songs, read bear books, go on our own bear hunt in the classroom, use our fingers to make a pudding bear, and do some gummi bear graphing! It will be an exciting day!

### OUR PROJECTS

Hickory Dickory Dock clock  
Hibernating bear  
Corduroy bear  
Teddy bear face  
Panda bear paper plate  
Pudding bear



### OUR BOOKS

Hickory Dickory Dock  
Zoom!  
123 Zoo  
Put Me in the Zoo  
My School's a Zoo!  
Bears  
The Three Bears  
Corduroy



Brown Bear Brown Bear What Do You See?  
The Little Mouse and The Big Hungry Bear  
Polar Bears  
Panda Bears



## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

January 31            **Snowman Letter Game DUE (PM class)**  
February 3            **Parent/Teacher Conferences 4:00 – 8:00 PM**  
February 4            **100<sup>th</sup> Day of School in 4K!!!**  
February 8            **9<sup>th</sup> Annual CHILI OPEN 5:30-7:30 PM**  
                              **WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**  
February 10           **School Board Meeting 6:00 PM**  
February 14           **4K Valentine's Day Party**  
February 17           **Early Release 11:30 Dismissal **NO 4K PM CLASS****  
February 22           **2011 4K Screening Day NO AM CLASS**  
February 23           **5K Screening**

(You do NOT need to register your child. He/she will be pulled out of the regular class to be screened.)

Thanks to **Jaden** (AM class) and **Wade** (PM class) for bringing in Wednesday's Special Snack!

## **SPECIAL NOTES**

PLEASE bring a **BEAR** to school **MONDAY** for our **Teddy Bear Picnic!!!**

Our **DAY 100** celebration is **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 4th!** *Wearing 100* and (if it's possible)*bring 100 of something* are just two of the many fun things we'll be doing on this day. Remember these two requests are **OPTIONAL**.

Please send a **SHOEBOX** to school **ASAP**. We will use them for our valentine holder and we'll be decorating them soon!

**HAPPY WEEKEND!**  
and  
**Happy Last Days of January!**