



Green Owls

December 2019

Theme	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	<i>Reminders</i>
Christmas Trees Letter Ii	2 Handprint Christmas Tree	3 Paper Strip Christmas Tree	4 Candy Cane Pipe Cleaner	5 Trim-A-Tree	6 Fun Friday	
Christmas Letter Jj	9 Fingerprint Candy Cane	10 Reindeer Handprints	11 Jesus in the Manger Fingerprints	12 Paper Plate Wreath	13 Fun Friday	
Hot and Cold Letter Kk	16 Hot Chocolate Painting	17 Make Hot Chocolate & watch the "Hot Chocolate" scene from "The Polar Express"	18 Hot Air, Cold Air Experiment	19 Fun Thursday	20 Fun Friday	
NO SCHOOL	23	24	25	26	27	
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Dear Families,

This month we will be talking about Christmas and Hot vs Cold. We are continuing to work on recognizing and tracing our letters, as well as developing our cutting skills. The children will also be working on a secret project this month. Don't ask them about it, I'm sure they'll tell you! Ms. Michelle will also be sharing with us the story of Christmas and the birth of Jesus.

We have been working on our cutting skills and encourage you to let your children also use scissors at home. The rules we have at school are: We must first ask to use the scissors and we only cut paper. When helping your children cut, please remind them that their thumb goes up.

This month we are introducing something new, "Fun Friday." Fun Friday will still have the same structure as the other days, but it will be student led. They will help choose what we do that day and where in the classroom they want to play during center time. This will help encourage them to make decisions, while also allowing me some one on one time with each child.

PLEASE check the extra clothes in your child's cubby!! Now that the weather has changed, we need to make sure the extra clothes we have are weather appropriate. You are also welcome to leave extra snow pants and boots in your child's cubby.

A few reminders:

1. **MDO will be CLOSED December 23 - January 3.**
2. We do still go outside during the winter if the temperature is above 20 degrees with wind chill.
3. Please dress your children accordingly for the weather. We are very close to the lake and temperatures can be cooler. Feel free to leave a jacket, hat and gloves in your child's cubby.
4. Please dress your child in play clothes. We do use washable paint and smocks, but accidents do happen.
5. Please check the website or our parent board for your child's snack day.

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If at anytime you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

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