



# Weekly News from Mrs. Mikalsen's Class February 13, 2025



## Language Development & Reading:

~We looked for our Word of the Week: "from" in our books, messages and poems.

~We created heart trees and wrote about things that we love. We also created and wrote Valentines for our KPALs and for other special people in our lives. We also wrote about something that we'd like to have 100 of.

~In Foundations we began Unit 3. We are using tapping to both decode (read) and encode (write) CVC words. We enjoyed playing a sound Bingo game and had fun determining long and short vowel sounds

~In Literacy Centers we:

- read lots of great books in our small groups,
- practiced reading and writing our high frequency words,
- practiced our cvc (consonant-vowel-consonant) words,
- read and colored an emergent reader about Valentine hearts.
- shopped for new books for our book bins.

## Books:

~We Love You Mr. Hatch

~I Love You Already

~The Day It Rained Hearts

~Happy Valentine's Day Mouse

~T'was the Night Before the 100<sup>th</sup> Day of School

~and other favorites

## Poems/Songs:

~ Valentines



## Upcoming Events and Reminders

### Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

No School ~ Staff Development Day

### Monday, February 17<sup>th</sup>:

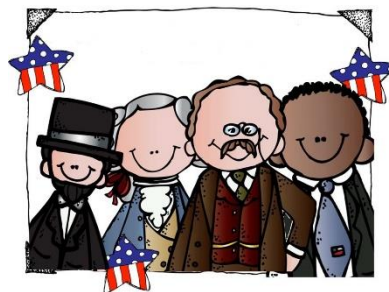
No School ~ President's Day

### Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup>:

Library Books Due

### Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup>:

PTO Reading Is a Dream Event.



## Happy Birthday

Samantha, 2/15



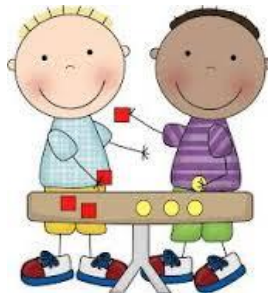


### Math:

~We had lots of fun on the 100th Day. We shared our cool shirts and the amazing collections that we brought in from home. We had a special 100th Day set of centers where we choose from a variety of activities:

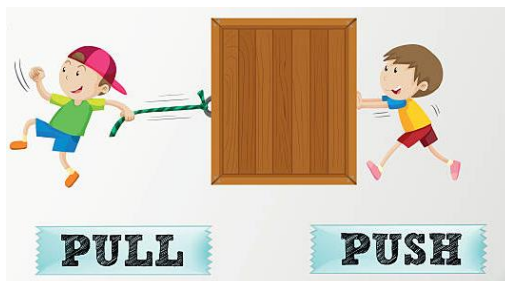
- build with 100 cups
- make a 100 bead necklace
- create with 100 Legos
- make a picture with 100 buttons
- dot paint 100 gumballs
- make 100 fingerprints
- do 100 fitness moves
- assemble a 100 piece puzzle
- complete, with tiles, a 100 grid

~We have also been learning a lot about shapes and coins this past week.



### Social Studies/Science:

~We are enjoying our science unit about Pushes and Pulls.  
 ~We have continued to notice and discuss pushes and pulls in the world around us.  
 ~learned about how machines can help with pushing and pulling and make it easier to do work



### Special Fun

A BIG thank you –  
 gracias – to our PTO for  
 sponsoring the assembly  
 Samba to Salsa. We  
 loved hearing all of the  
 beautiful and engaging  
 music.

### *Please Remember to*

\*Add the poem "A  
 Valentine" to your child's  
 Poetry Binder Read the  
 poems in the binder with  
 your child at least a  
 couple of times a week.



\*Have your child read  
 any books that come  
 home in their Reading  
 Bag to you. Please  
 record the title if  
 needed, sign that they  
 read it with you, and  
 send it back in the next  
 day.