



Welcome January

In January we will be studying "I am special", winter, and a quick study of the Arctic. We will consider how we have changed since we were babies. Please send in a baby picture that we can keep and hang in our room. We will be looking at these on Wednesday January 14. If it is easier you can send one digitally to me at my email address cstauffer@nhelc.org and I can

print them out at school. We will be making self portraits, and talking about how we all look different and we all are special.. Our dramatic play area will slowly turn into an ice skating rink! We will also be finishing up our passports with Africa (Kwanza) and Spain (Three Kings Day). The children are excited to bring them home, I'm sure they will want to tell you all about their winter travels around the world. The center will be closed Monday, January 19.

Gallon Jugs

Please begin saving gallon jugs for our igloo. Make sure they are thoroughly rinsed. I will send another note when it is time to start bringing the jugs into school.

Library

Don't forget to take library books every day from our little lending library beside our classroom door.

Sharing day

A new sharing calendar is attached for the month of January.

Cubbies

Please remember to clean out your child's cubby at the end of every day, some of the cubbies are getting quite full, and the children are having trouble stowing their new art creations.

Winter Weather

We will be going outside in all kinds of weather! Make sure your child has **boots (for snow)** gloves, and a hat, and snow pants available for use every day. We will go out in the snow, please send extra socks to keep in the cubby in case socks get wet.

Water Bottles in Cubbies

Having a water bottle in each child's cubby is working out wonderfully, please continue to make sure your child has one in their cubby each day.

Maker space

Please continue to bring: **toilet paper/paper towel tubes, small containers like rinsed out and clean yogurt or applesauce containers (or other containers of similar size), lids (they make great wheels)**, only small plastic lids please, like you would find on water, milk or gatorade, or any other item you think may inspire creativity, as long as it is small enough to fit on a shelf for our maker space. The children's creations are becoming more complex, it is so cool to see their imaginations at work!! I am trying to be diligent about taking pictures to hang on the wall behind the books, check it out!

Blessings to you all as we break for the winter holiday (December 25-January 1). We look forward to seeing you all back refreshed and rejuvenated on January 2.

Happy Holidays,

Ms. Connie, and Ms. Alexis