



Welcome December

In December we will be studying how people all over the world celebrate Christmas, and other winter holidays. We have already read a book all about Diwali and made Diwali lanterns (diyas). We will explore St Nicholas day, St Lucia day, Las Posadas, and Kwanza. We will also read about Old Belfina, and hear the story of the Christmas spider and the Nutcracker.. The children will receive a passport and a stamp from each place we visit. We are so excited to experience all of these celebrations with your child! Our Bible focus is the season of Advent.

WATER BOTTLES

Please bring a water bottle every day to keep in your child's cubby. Label the bottle with your child's name. This will alleviate the line at the water fountain and will help us transition through potty time more efficiently. It will also help us to stop the spread of germs these winter months. If your child forgets to bring a water bottle the water fountain is still available to them, so no worries!

Library

I hope you are all enjoying our library, and remembering to choose a new book every day. I will put out the winter book bin in December, so keep your eyes peeled for new books to choose from.

Sharing day

A new sharing calendar is at the end of this newsletter for the month of December!

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. Thank you all for the donations you have already brought into school, I can see creativity blossoming as the children create. If you ever want to see a sampling of the kinds of things kids create, check out our maker space gallery (on the back of our bookshelves.)

Christmas Celebration

On **DECEMBER 11** after hours our learning center rooms will be open with different activities for you to enjoy with your children. Please keep the date open and plan on joining us for an evening of family fun. Our room will be hosting an outdoor campfire and s'more making activity. Please dress warmly so you can join the fun outdoors!

Ms. Connie, and Ms. Alexis