

Miss Nanette and Miss Anna
News from Room #1

FAVORITE ACTIVITIES: During Brr It's Cold Week we learned about winter critters and how they keep warm. A favorite story was The Mitten. We used props to retell the story during Choosing Time. We learned Polar Bears have black skin under their white fur to keep them warm, they don't climb trees because there are no trees in the artic, they eat meat and their white fur hides them from predators. We also learned that Penguins are birds, but they can't fly. The highlight of transportation week was testing the speed of cars on ramps. During Marvelous Magnets week we learned that bigger doesn't necessarily mean stronger by testing the strengths of various sized magnets.

During the school year we have been working on beginning sounds. At the beginning of the year we gave clues to get the ball rolling. It's incredible how quickly the children respond with a wide variety of words. Even after we were on to the next part of our day many children would come to us and say "I have another word". We, of course, added the words to our list☺. We have also been working on prediction activities such as "Which block of ice will melt the fastest?" and "Which magnet is the strongest?"

STAMP: Please send a stamp (include your child's name) to school February 8 and 9. We will be using it to send a family valentine home.

VALENTINES DAY: We will celebrate Valentine's Day with games and special activities on Tuesday, February 13 and Wednesday, February 14. If your child would like to bring valentines for the class, please send 18 (MWF class) and 18 (TTH class) cards with your child's name on each card. **Please do not write the other children's names on the cards or designate boy or girl cards as this slows down the distribution process.** If you would like to send treats for the children, please remember everything must be store bought and in its original container. Please do not send sealed treat bags containing multiple items. Thank you.

FIELD TRIP: See Attached letter.

UPCOMING EVENTS: During the month of February we will be collecting plastic bottle caps of every color and size for use in graphing, counting, sorting, patterning, etc.

Please wash the caps before bringing them to school, the children will be handling them.

FEBRUARY THEMES: Lovely Letters, Post Office, Valentines, Fun with Flight and Community Workers.