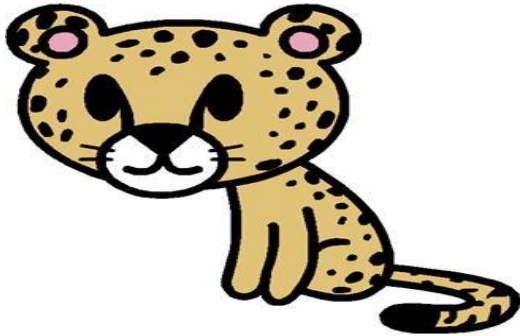


THE CHEETAH'S CHATTER

A Bi-Weekly Newsletter for Carl Sandburg Families



Go Cheetah's!

Upcoming Important Dates:

December:

Holiday Break-No School from Dec. 26- Jan. 2

January:

Dance Team starts

No School Jan. 16

No School Jan. 23

Important information:

- Please remember to keep collecting the BOXTOPS and send them in your child's backpack. This is an easy way for our school to earn money.
- We are collecting Coke Product codes. Please send in bottle tops or on 12pks or larger codes can be found inside of cardboard.

Introducing the new Cheetah Chatter!

News Around Carl Sandburg:

This December the Specials team has identified 4th and 5th grade students for CSLC's Friends helping Friends mentor program. Beginning in January these students will attend a Music, Media, Art or PE class as a mentor. They will assist the teacher and act as a role model for the younger students. Each day of their job they will receive a progress report. Look for these to start coming home and ask your children about their jobs.

Quarter 2: Kindergarten-First Grade

Primary K-1 students have been working on an author study on Donald Crews, focusing on comprehension strategies, matching pictures and phrases to words, and labeling pictures. Students will continue with their author study over the course of the second quarter, also working on letter-sound relationships and sight words. In math, students are comparing quantities, counting with 1:1 correspondence, and focusing on number concepts. Quarter 2 science focuses on plant and animal life cycles, and social studies emphasizes the physical features of the Earth and maps.

Quarter 2: First-Second Grade

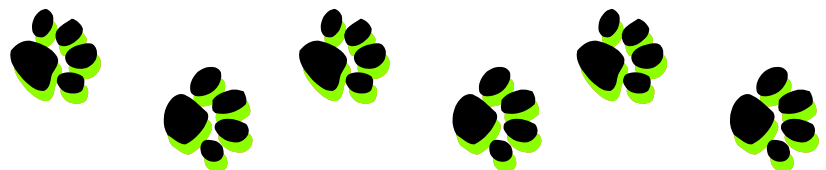
Primary 1-2 students have been working on an author study on Marc Brown, author of the beloved Arthur books. Students are working on comprehension strategies like recognizing story elements, predicting, identifying main idea and details, and retelling. Students continue to build vocabulary using word families and sight words. In math, students are comparing quantities, adding and subtracting, and being introduced to place value using tens and ones. Quarter 2 science focuses on motion of non-living things and magnets, and social studies emphasizes healthy foods and nutrition.

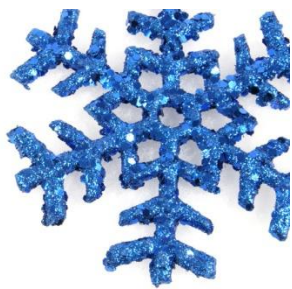
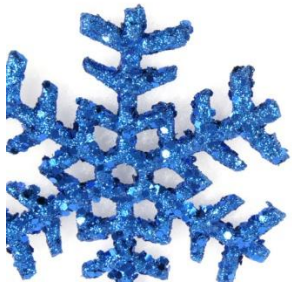
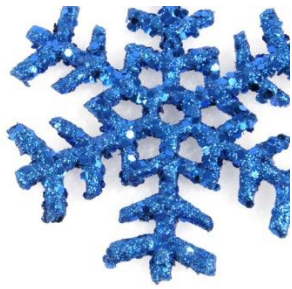
Intermediate Team Long-Term Plans for January

Language Arts/Social Studies – Biographies of Ben Franklin and Abigail Adams

Math – Measurement (Mass/Length/Time)

Science - Physics





Dear Sandburg staff, parents, and community,

Hope the holidays are giving you time with friends, family and to make all those magical memories. The related service team has spent this past month supporting IEP goals and integrating into the classroom curriculum. Along with math, science, and reading, we have helped expose the students to information, activities, and traditions for the 3 major holidays that are celebrated in December. The kids have had a great time with the multisensory activities surrounding these holidays. We have also begun the transition to winter weather and practice of cold weather dressing.

Over break the team would love any additional practice you and your child can do on engaging the zipper before pulling up to zip, retelling or describing family activities, and practicing turn taking and social play with the variety of new people that may be in your house over the next few weeks. If you and your family do anything extraordinary please feel free to take a picture and send it in. The team is always looking for meaningful and fun topics to use in the language and writing process.

We wanted to let you know we received a new catalog that was founded by an OT, FunandFunction. The catalog is full of great ideas/supplies at a reasonable price. The team was very impressed with both the products and the customer service. We were able to obtain a 10% off coupon code for 1st orders for all our families and staff. The coupon code is cslcpromo.

Our team is so thankful for all your support and collaboration. Please have fun and enjoy this well deserved rest. We look forward to seeing everyone back at the start of the year.

Yours truly,

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