Writing - We began our opinion unit this week. We are using our opinion writing skills from first quarter to write a book review of a Black Eyed Susan Nominee book that we read in media with Ms. Stoll. Our book reviews will be on display in the new media center to help others find great books to read!

Reading - This week we continue to read literature. We took a reading assessment on our ability to determine the characters, setting, beginning, middle and end of the story and supporting our ideas with text evidence. We used a story map to organize our ideas.

Math - In math, we began to investigate how addition and subtraction are related. We looked at related equations in a fact family. We will be using this skill to help us work through word problems that will continue with increasing complexity in format over the next few weeks.

Social Studies and Science - In social studies, we explored many of the different winter holidays that different cultures celebrate. We learned about the many symbols and traditions of Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, Christmas, Diwali, and Lunar New Year.

QUESTIONS FOR HOME: When reading together at night a fiction book, ask your child a question such as: Who are the characters? Where is the setting? What happens in the beginning? The middle? The end? What do you think the author wants to teach us with this story (central message)?

Important Dates!

12/22-1/1 NO SCHOOL

Wishing Upon a Sea Star…. Odds And Ends Arts and Crafts for our Maker Bin

Metal wire for bracelet making

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Specials

Monday: Music
Tuesday: Art
Wednesday: Media
Thursday: P.E.
Friday: Lab

Notes from Mrs. D:

Thanks for your partnership in making this a fun-tastic week!

Please send your child with a snack each day. A snack that the child can open and clean up themselves. Please no nuts due to allergies.

Thank you again for all the wonderful donations to the classroom!

Please also send your child each day with a non-spill water bottle.