

February 7, 2014

2AM 3AM 3PM

Hi everybody,

We've all been adjusting pretty well to the wind and weather. School has been really busy and kids have been full of exuberance. This week, kids really enjoyed putting on some gloves and playing with snow in the water table. Some days, we had water colors for dripping with eyedroppers, similar to the technique we employed on Parents' Day. On other days, we used warm water with eyedroppers so that kids could watch the effect of water on the snow. And a couple of days, we even had the addition of icicles.

We wanted to drop you a quick note about Valentine's Day, which falls on Friday, the 14<sup>th</sup>. Even though we usually avoid holiday celebrations at school, occasionally groups at the JK level will exchange Valentines as a literacy-based exercise. However, in our 3 groups, most kids are not that actively engaged in letter inquiry yet. And for that reason, the 3AM, the 3PM and the 2AM will **NOT** be exchanging Valentines this year. For younger kids, waiting for their turn to pass Valentines can often prove to be excruciating. So, we hope you have a wonderful day full of hugs and mail at home, but please don't send any mail or treats to school.

ATTENTION 2AM PARENTS: At long last, we get to welcome a new member to our group. Say hello to Julia Rabkin and her family! Julia will be starting school with us on Tuesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

We will be sending along a more lengthy newsletter soon.

Stay warm!

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