

Dear Parents,

We have all done a great job getting back into our daily routine. Thank you for continuing to help us with the hand washing when we come into the classroom. The children have been so excited to see their friends again! We had fun making and playing with snow, making ice art and eating cold snacks! We had fun strengthening our fine motor skills by using tweezers to pick up our snowballs (cotton balls). We even had days of cold weather, just without real snow!

Our theme for the month of February is "On the Farm". The children will spend the month making animals to go on their own farm. We will be gluing brown popsicle sticks to our barns, making salad spinner muddy pigs, a cotton ball sheep, a thumbprint cow and painting our chicken with feathers! We will be having some yummy snacks to go with each week's animals. We will be having pigs in a blanket, cheese and crackers and yummy eggs. Throughout the month the children will be gluing their barn and animals to a piece of paper to make their own farm collage.

On February 13th and 14th (Wednesday and Thursday), we will be having our Valentine's Party and Exchange. We will be decorating our mailboxes (paper bags) and exchanging Valentine's with our friends. Please send in enough (12 a day) Valentine's with your child's name on them. If your child comes both days, please send in enough for both days. Please be on the lookout for an email from Sign Up Genius and sign up for something healthy and red/pink to bring for the Valentine's Party.

Important Dates:

- * **Monday, Feb 4- Bring 2 books to donate to our Book Swap**
- * **Tuesday, Feb 5- Books and Burgers at Writer's Block and Burger Fi (4-7 pm)**
- * **Wednesday, Feb 6- Café con Libros (9-9:45 am)**
- * **Wednesday, Feb 13th- Valentine's Exchange**
- * **Thursday, Feb 14th- Valentine's Exchange**

Snack Basket Rotation:

- * **week of 2/4- Rowan**
- * **week of 2/11- Abigail**
- * **week of 2/18-Juliette**
- * **week of 2/25-Grady**

Thank you all for making this an awesome year so far! We are beginning to see our "babies" grow into "little saints" and can't wait to see what the next four months has in store for us!

Much Love,

Ms. Courtney and Ms. Lori