



# Our Kindergarten Classroom News

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## News From Our Classroom

Hope everyone enjoyed the long weekend! We've had a busy couple of weeks at school learning a lot and we're keeping it up right until the break.

We're continuing our unit on geometry in Math and have begun learning about solid shapes. This will coincide with a family shape project where students will look for shapes in the world around them.

In Language Arts we're continuing to develop fundamental literacy skills and have been writing a lot more. We're working on writing "Thankful Books" and we're also beginning to write more across subject areas.

In Science, we have been fortunate to have guest speakers talking to us about water and our environment. This has brought in elements of social studies and engineering as well. This science program is also part of the field trip we are taking on November 14<sup>th</sup>. In Social Studies we just finished our maps of the school and will be continuing to study maps across subject areas. We even will combine robotics and maps with maps made by the 8<sup>th</sup> graders! Keep an eye out for a mapping project since students will soon be asked to create a map of their communities.

In other news, we recently saw a fantastic production of "Scrooge" put on by the 9 o'clock players and went on a beach cleanup with the 4<sup>th</sup> graders. This beach cleanup was extra special since in Global Awareness we recently discussed ways that we can respect living things in the ocean.

## Reminders

Parent-Teacher Conferences are November 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. These will also be minimum days with students being dismissed at 12:30pm.

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Fall Break is the week of November 20<sup>th</sup>. Hope everyone has a safe and happy week! Let me know if you would like educational activity ideas for over the break.

## Home-School Connection

- Looking for shapes in the world around us.
- Practicing Sight Words (please see attached list).
- Looking at maps and talking about maps.
- Reading and writing together.

