

February 2012

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Pre-K 1

Northlake Montessori

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 2nd- Jayden S. 4th b-day
- Feb. 14th- Valentine's Day
- Feb. 20th- President's Day
- Feb. 25th- Linnea's 4th b-day

A Peek at our past month

What a fun month we had! Everything came together so nicely and the children had a blast. We started January out by talking about the new year, the season of winter and the weather outside. The kids have been keeping a daily weather chart and loved being able to record every type this month, even snow! Oh, and wasn't the snow wonderful?! Except, of course, when the school was closed... ok, honestly it was pretty cool (no pun intended) but I think we all got a little cabin fever!

After returning, we started our peace unit with the focus on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. We talked about his and several other notable people's messages of peace to the world. We concluded by having the kids make a "peace board" in the hallway filled with their own messages and images of peace.

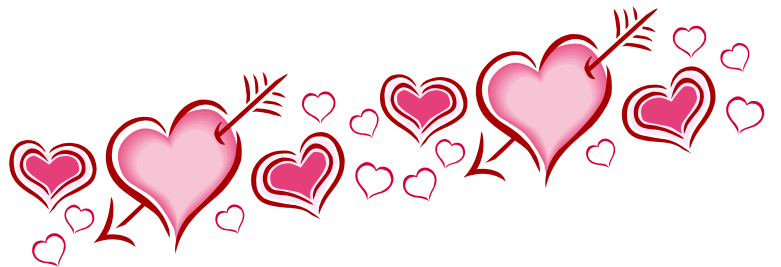
We ended the month with our unit on Antarctica. We've never had more success or more interest from the children in a subject before this. We talked about the continent itself, the weather and especially Emperor Penguins. It all culminated in a wonderful "Black and White Day". We watched and discussed "March of the Penguins" and then performed our own march with homemade penguin eggs on our feet through the different classrooms, spreading our knowledge of these wonderful creatures. Finally, we had a bit of fun learning about liquids and solids and the processes of freezing and melting. We had a great time making our own icebergs and popsicles.

How did your holiday gifts turn out? Did everyone's paper whites bloom?! We've heard some amazing stories and techniques. If yours needs a little boost try keeping it in a warm area... and don't forget lots of water!



Valentine Name List

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| -Addaline | -Katie |
| -Brianna | -Lexi |
| -Christopher | -Linnea |
| -Collin | -Lucas |
| -Devaduth | -Megan |
| -Dylan | -Phoenix |
| -Eric | -Rohsha |
| -Jack | -Sophia |
| -Jaden G. | -Waylon |
| -Jayden S. | -Wyatt |



Our plans for Valentine's Day:

We will be having a fun little party with the kids on Valentine's Day. We will pass out valentines, enjoy some fun snacks and treats, play games, and listen to music. We will put out sign-up sheets for the food if you would like to contribute. The children will make their own containers to keep their received valentines in so please have your child bring in an empty cereal box or used gift bag to decorate as soon as possible.

February 20th President's Day

Please have your child dress in red, white, and blue on Feb. 20th. We will be introducing the entire roster of presidents of the United States of America to the children. They will pick one president they would like to represent and will wear a necklace with the president's picture and facts on it. We will then have a presidential parade through the other classrooms. The kids will make their own gifts (mini flags) to pass out to the rest of the school. We want to make President's Day very special for the kids and get them really excited for this!

