



Wow! Can you believe it's **2020**? Judy & I hope you had a great holiday and made lots of memories with your little ones. THANK YOU ALL so much for throwing such a sweet Birthday Party for Baby Jesus. Did you find time to bake His birthday cake & sing during our break? We'd love to see your pics. Welcome Back!

Our units in January are Winter Fun, Winter Animals and Dinosaurs. Here we go!

2 things this week! On **Wednesday, January 8th** have your child bring a **labeled pair of mittens or gloves** for a fun circle time math activity. And on **Thursday, January 9th** **please send in a frozen shape of ice**. It can be any shape, size or color. You can even freeze things inside (nothing important please). Use your imagination, think ahead & have fun. We will be making an ice sculpture in our discovery table. For science & fine motor we will drip water colors & see what happens. We will also learn how rock salt makes it stick together. We will watch it melt throughout the day observing how small & large pieces melt differently! The children always enjoy this experiment.

Wednesday, January 15th is also PAJAMA DAY! (Completely optional) We will come to school **wearing our pajamas**. We will talk about hibernation and have fun being animals. Feel free to bring robes & slippers, blankies and/or a bedtime lovey, but no special treasures. Don't forget to **label everything** for us!

I will be assessing the children this month for our **Parent/Teacher Conferences**. We will meet **Friday, January 24th**. I'll send a SignUpGenius later with time slots almost every ½ hour, so be sure to look for it. Please note this is, in fact a Friday, not a school day, so you may want to consider signing up back to back with a friend from class so you can take turns watching each other's children during your **parent only conference** should you have any conflicts arranging childcare.

I hope I have not forgotten anything. Thank you once again for sharing your children with us, we just adore them.

God Bless You, Monica Donaldson

