

# December



## Ms. Hurley's Kindergarten Newsletter

### Important Dates

12/9 - Early  
Release @ 12:30

12/21 - 1/2 - NO  
SCHOOL -  
Winter Break

1/2 - PBIS  
Assembly WEAR  
RED

### BIRTHdays

Rodney - 12/2

Claire - 12/9

Anna - 12/12

Miller - 12/20

Finley 12/21

### Classroom News

**We had so much fun today!  
We had fun drawing elves to  
join our Santas in the hallway. What fun it was  
to create shelves for our elves!**



**Literacy Tips: Keep a journal at home! Your child can write a sentence about something each day. Remember to let your child stretch out sounds and spell words the best they can. Conventional spelling is not important yet but getting the children to love writing and take chances is!**

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## Classroom Wish List

We are running low on the following items:

- masking tape or tape of any kind
- Play Dough
- Watercolor paint
- Paper towel or toilet paper tubes
- Any craft supplies or recyclables to be used for STEM challenges and for projects during free choice time



- crayons
- scented markers
- gel pens
- stationary or old cards

Thank you in advance for anything you may have around to donate! The children are so creative and I love giving them opportunities and materials to use to make things!

## Here's What We Learned

**Literacy:** Our new words this week were **me** and **big**. We identified beginning sounds in words, practiced sight word songs,

**Handwriting:** We started learning the correct letter formation for lowercase letters! We worked on letters **c**, **o**, **s**, **v**, and **w**.

**Writer's Workshop:** We picked our favorite stories to fix up and share with the class. The children are stretching out sounds to write words and are attempting a sentence on each page.

**Math:** We had fun cutting our and playing games with number cards from 1-20. We used the pan balance, learned about probability, and played some new train games.

**Science:** We learned about animal homes. [Here's the link: Animal Homes](#). We also learned why we would want an old tree in our backyards.

**STEM:** We worked on building a shelf for an elf. The only materials available were popsicle sticks and play dough. The children were given a paper elf and needed to build the tallest shelf possible to keep their elf safe from children.

