

# February

## Ms. Hurley's Kindergarten Newsletter



### Important Dates

2/28  
No School

3/12  
Parent/Teacher  
Conferences  
(More info to  
follow)

### Classroom News

Today we celebrated earning 100 gold coins for the fourteenth time this year! Our goal was 15 celebrations for the year so we are going to far exceed that. Great job, boys and girls! We swapped activity rooms and went to the blue wing to play. What fun to have all new things to play with! The puppet theater and housekeeping areas were really popular. Thank you for your support as we continue to work on our listening skills and waiting to talk until being called on. This is such a fun and chatty group and we are really focusing on listening the first time, not talking when the teacher is talking, using a level 1 voice when it's acceptable to talk, and transitioning from one space to the next without talking to all of our friends on the way. When we waste learning time because we aren't all helping to clean up or we aren't at level 0 we lose recess minutes and that's a real bummer. No one wants that! We never miss a lot of recess, but seeing the other classes go out and being two minutes late can make a big impact.

### Birthdays

Raelyn  
February 12

Literacy Tips: Read the little books with your child many times! I am sending home more ideas for you to keep in your child's reading bag or a safe place at home. Keep that excitement going as your little reader grows as a reader!

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## Camp Update

We started new camp groups this week! There were some moves to different teachers based on skills the children needed practice with. Some of the things we are working on are identifying numbers to 100, adding and subtracting, reading cvc words, identifying sight words, writing sentences with finger spaces, graphing, and responding to a story to show comprehension. Ask your child what he/she has been working on!

## PTO News

Our PTO is very excited about our upcoming Bunny Hop and Silent Auction on Wednesday, March 11th. Please consider donating something for our silent auction. Suggested items are family game night, date night, spa, coffee, toys, crafts, etc. Items can be delivered to your child's teacher by February 27th. Thank you so much for your help!

## Here's What We Learned

**Literacy:** Our new words this week were he and was. We worked on matching rhyming pictures, blending and segmenting sounds, reading and writing cvc words, and identifying sight words. We read a lot about Abraham Lincoln and George Washington as we celebrated Presidents Day.

**Math:** We had fun playing all sorts of new games to celebrate Presidents Day! We did some graphing, used the 100 chart and described where numbers were found, and played a fun attribute game.

**Science:** The children have been enjoying mini lesson about a variety of topics (spiders, lava, climate, etc.) on the Mystery Science website.

**Handwriting:** We are practicing lowercase letters on white boards individually and applying our skills to write words and sentences in our handwriting books. These books will be sent home soon and we will start a new book. This will allow the children more time to practice writing the letters correctly. It takes a lot of repetition to get the children to write the letters the right way automatically!

**Computer:** We were not able to play games in the lab this week. If you can, check out the 100 chart games on ABCya and read books on Razkids!

