Haines School 247 W. 23rd Place Chicago, IL



December News

Reading

We have recently started our Fairytales Unit. During this unit we are working on comparing and contrasting the experiences and events of characters from different versions of the same fairytale. We are learning more sight words and beginning to blend sounds together to read words. Each Superkids unit, you will see blending practice come home with the letters we have learned. Please keep this in your child's folder and have them practice as part of their nightly homework. We will be starting to learn word family words as well (cat, sat, rat, bat, etc.)

Writing

We will be starting our unit on informational writing. Students will also focus on writing beginning, middle and ending sounds for words. We are also beginning to write simple sentences using correct capitalization and punctuation (example: I see the cat.)

Math

We are focusing on using different strategies to solve addition problems (number line, manipulatives, drawing pictures, fingers, adding on). We are working on problem solving weekly. We are continuing to work on counting, sequencing, and comparing with numbers 1-100. We are also learning words that tell position (under, above, between, etc.).

<u>Science</u>: We are learning about animals and their habitats this quarter. We will also be learning about weather.

Reminders

Please check your child's folder daily. There are always important communications going out with the homework. Also, please make sure you are completing the monthly reading log and submitting it by the first of the next month.

Important Dates-

Family Movie Night – 12/15/17 Winter break – 12/25/17 to 1/5/18

Highlights for the month: We are thankful for families, friends, and school.

Stars of the Week: 12/4 Kevis Liang Li (119) 12/11 Jason Lin (119) Mia Nguyen (117)

12/18 Shuhao Liu (119) and Brooklynn Turner (117)