

January News 2017

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Important Dates

- Jan 10 Snack items due
- Jan 18 Hoagie Orders Due
- Jan 24 Hoagie Pick up
btwn 5-6pm



The Christmas story

During the time leading up to Christmas the children were immersed in learning the Christmas story. During library time and circle time, we read the story of the birth of Jesus, played with the nativity set and counted and glued the steps in the story leading up to Jesus' birth. We sang numerous songs of the season that told the story. We also sang the fun songs too, played a few games, played with peppermint and gingerbread scented playdoh.



OBSTACLE COURSE FUN DURING GYM

Every other week we have gym class. This is an opportunity for the children to learn a new game, exercise a bit, dance to the music, play & move. This month an obstacle course was set up giving the children a chance to throw a ball, walk on a balance beam, jump over blocks and crawl through a tunnel. They did this while taking turns, following the course and improving balance, aim and jumping ability each time they went through the course.



The Christmas story (con't.)

We were busy making presents & items for the bulletin boards. The children used their small motor skills to stamp the green rings of the Christmas trees and fingerprints for the ornaments. They enjoyed gluing the colorful pasta to make the gingerbread kids. They especially enjoyed choosing the sparkly, colorful paint for their handprints and dots on their plates as they created personalized gifts.

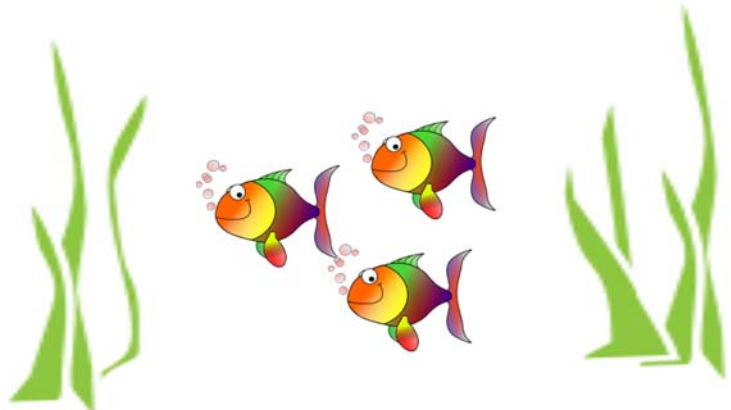


Pre-K Challenges

Counting out loud to 10 is easier than placing numbered objects in order. Pre-k is working on numerical placement; Jasmine, Brielle & Karter are pictured completing fun number challenges by building puzzles and placing colorful lights in the correct order. Arianna & Hunter are building Santa faces with the roll of the dice, Sonny, Mason & Stefan are taking on the puzzle challenge by building 4 15 piece puzzles. Each day there is a new tracing activity at the light table, as well as counting items in the number jar. Below, Carter built a yellow wall on his tray. The children enjoy the assorted “daily work” challenges and are excited to accomplish new tasks.

OCEAN EXPLORATION IN JANUARY

In January we will learn about the oceans and the creatures that live in them. We will paint schools of fish, discover how big a humpback whale is and learn how many tentacles an octopus has. We will mix beautiful colors of paint to make ocean blue, stamp starfish and fish, make coral and sand sculptures.



Winter Weather and Snow Days & Delays

January & February are sure to bring us snowy days and blustery winds. At CHCP we DO NOT follow any school districts delays and cancellations. We will announce delays or cancellations through Facebook, DOJO, Remind and Email. If we call a delay— school will start at 10:15 am Please use your discretion , based on road conditions in your neighborhood as to whether or not you are bringing your child to school