



## December Into January

The month of December was filled with a variety of games. A tic-tac-toe tournament produced a champion, congratulations Addison! Many students had fun playing the fast-paced card game Piles and took risks when playing Flip 7. We discovered new games like Lost Creatures and Hues and Cues and pulled out the classroom favorite, Mantis, on many occasions. We stimulated our brains with small IQ puzzles and worked to solve each problem given to us. Students created Christmas ornaments on wood cookies and/or elves of themselves. These were taken home to share with families. Our elf Peppermint visited us throughout December and kept an eye on the classroom. Students enjoyed finding her location each day. During Christmas break, children sat back and relaxed while watching Zootopia 2. They also learned quite a bit about metal manufacturing while touring Reader Precision Solutions and even got to take home a few goodies. Our blankets were delivered to the Lakeland Animal Shelter, to help where needed. January will be all about animals and insects from around the world. There will be a variety of books to use to help us discover and learn about different animals and insects. We can create our very own animals by using different features found in birds, reptiles, mammals, and aquatic life. A microscope will be available to use to see parts of a variety of animals, insects, and small organisms. A part of our classwork will be turned into a zoo using permanent markers. We will be helping the outdoor birds at the center by making bird feeders for these cold winter months. Before ending our mornings, we will come together to stretch and do yoga inspired by different animals.



## Dates to Remember

- January 1st—Center Closed—Happy New Year
- January 2nd—No School EASD
- January 5th—School resumes
- January 16th—Elegant Farmer fundraiser begins
- January 19th—No School EASD
- January 30th—Elegant Farmer fundraiser orders due



## Community Connections

During these winter months, you can find many outdoor activities from sledding and skiing to ice skating and ice fishing. Every year Lake Geneva puts together several days of outdoor fun for the community to enjoy. Snow sculptors from around the country and the world come to participate in the annual America's Snow Sculpting Invitational. From January 28th to the 31st each team will work on their own sculptures, during this time you can come watch as these giant masterpieces are created. The finished projects will be up through February 1st. Lake Geneva's Winterfest could be a great opportunity to take the family to a free event to enjoy snow and ice sculptures, warm yourself at the bonfires on the beach, listen to live music (Saturday and Sunday,) and have a chance to vote on your favorite sculptures.



## Reminders

- Please contact the office to make arrangements for days off, these are not added automatically.
- Please send your child with appropriate outdoor weather attire. For those snowy days extra items should be stored in a reusable bag, please no plastic

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