

MRS. MCCARTHY'S NEWSLETTER

FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 3-6, 2017

Curriculum

Readers Workshop— Students will hear the story Cookie's Week by Cindy Ward and practice retelling the story. We will learn the vocabulary words amusing, upset, grin and stuck.

Writers Workshop— The sight words come and are will be introduced this week. Students will hear the story Lunch and write about what they like to eat. Your child's December Writer's Work-

shop will be coming home soon. Take a look at what your child has been doing in their writing at school!

Math—

This week students will practice sorting shapes according to shape, color and size. Students will learn the symbol for equal and not equal and identify groups using these symbols.

Theme—

Starting off the week, we will make

new year hats and talk about various ways people celebrate the new year. Later in the week we will do various winter activities such as sequencing a snowman, making connections to a book, and matching words and pictures to make a winter puzzle.

Need to Know

- ◆ Please send in a 2 inch binder along with a pack of 25 clear pocket sheets. These items should be labeled with your child's name. They will be used for an end of the year project. Thank you!
- ◆ Minnesota author and illustrator David LaRochelle is coming to Kennedy on January 19th. If you would like to purchase any of his books with his autograph, the order form is due **January 6th**.
- ◆ Please communicate with your child if you would like them to wear their snow pants for dismissal.
- ◆ Book bags will start this week. If you returned the book contract, your child will be taking home three books to read at home. Please look for these in your child's back pack and a note to accompany it. Let me know if you have any questions.
- ◆ January 16—No School—MLK Day
- ◆ January 27— No School

Mrs. McCarthy's Corner

Teacher's Helper

I am looking for an individual to come into the classroom the first Friday of each month to help with various things such as cutting, using the dye cut machine, hanging artifacts in the hallway, etc. The preferred time would be from 1:30 till the end of the day. If you are interested, please let me know.

Thank you!