Room 213 NEWSLETTER

December 2023

Hello Room 213 Families,

Happy December! First of all, I would like to welcome Mr. Jordan. He is a new SECA who recently joined our 213 Team. His energy and warmth with our students is incredible, and we are very grateful to have him.

This month, our unit theme from Unique is called "The Gift of Giving."

In ELA, we will introduce and practice the following high frequency words: and, go, he, make, on, you, ask, feel, give, happy, try, kind. Students will continue to work on answering basic wh questions related to class texts, as well as identifying the main idea and supporting details in a text. Students will also practice tracing or writing their names daily (first name for some students, last name for students who have mastered first name), as well as working on their specific IEP reading and writing goals.

In math, students will continue to participate in calendar math time each morning. During group math time, we will continue practicing counting to 100 by 1's, 10's and 5's. We have also started practicing counting by 100's! During work time, students will work on their IEP specific goals related to number recognition, counting, math functions, 1:1 correspondence, and representing double digit numbers with 10's and 1's.

In Science, we are continuing to learn about animals and how they adapt to their environment. Additionally, we talk about the weather daily and will be learning about seasons and how activities and clothing shift based on the season.

In Social Studies, we will be discussing community helpers. Additionally, we will continue to explore the *News to You* current events articles and practice answering "wh" questions about these non-fiction texts.

Please feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions.

Best,

Ms. Annika White

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Things to Note:

- We have outdoor recess if the windchill is above 22 degrees. Please remember to send your student with warm clothes, including a hat and gloves/mittens daily.
- Please make sure that you label all outerwear (sweaters, sweatshirts, mittens, hats, etc.) that your child brings to school. Initials or first names on the tag are typically best. This helps us ensure that everything your student brings comes home with them.
- Your child comes home with a yellow or blue folder in their backpack daily. It is critical that you check this folder daily. Please remove forms on the left side, as they are to be "left" at home. Please review forms on the right and send them "right" back to school.
- It is cold and flu season. Please keep your child home if they are sick. This helps prevent the spread of sickness to other students. As a reminder, your child must stay home if they have a fever, and should remain home until they are fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medications.
- Please continue to read with your child each night!

Looking Ahead

Scholastic Book Fair - Tuesday, December 5 through Friday, December 8 Healthy Student Market - Thursday, December 14 from 2:30-3:15 End of Quarter 2 and Pajama Day - Thursday, December 21 School Improvement Day (No School for Students) - Friday, December 22 Winter Vacation (No School) - December 25 - January 5