

# Chebeague Pre-K News – December 22, 2011

Wishing you all peace, hope, love and joy this holiday season.

Our week was filled with various holiday projects. On Monday, Caitlin wrote down their gingerbread house stories. These were proudly displayed as centerpieces along with their houses when the residents of the Island Commons joined us for lunch on Thursday.

Following are a list of some of the works that kept us busy this week.

## Practical Life/Art

- Squeezing/sorting toy fruits with toast tongs
- Pop Up Holiday cards
- Hanukkah tic-tac toe
- Dreidel game

## Cultural/Science

- Hanukah - we used yellow tissue paper to light our menorah and read a story called The Magic Dreidel
- Winter Solstice - we are happy that the Earth is headed back to its summer home!
- One of our bean plants has fruited

## Language

- Review of drawing a person with Mat Man and writing number 9.
- Word puzzles: sun, hat, cat, panda, frog, drum

## Music:

- We played cooperative musical chairs to holiday songs for Thursday's music circle.

*Unless temperatures are below 15 we will go out for recess. Please be sure to send your child in/with appropriate outdoor attire. Whenever possible please put names on outerwear.*

## Calendar updates

**Jan. 6:** Island Commons visit

**Jan. 13:** Early release 11:30 - No lunch



Squeezing/sorting fruit manipulatives



Making holiday ornaments by squeezing a flour paste onto circles of cardboard



A 3-D creation inspired by our pop up cards



The Exchange Game - a math game involving rolling a number dice and trading up units, tens, hundreds, in efforts to earn a 1000 cube



Making a maze by arranging the red rods from shortest to longest, then taking turns navigating



Constructing mat man at circle



Exploring the Nativity



Working on a drawing of oneself (follow up to mat man lesson) and putting together words with picture puzzles.

*Thank you for sharing your children  
Miss Nancy*