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
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

Thank you for sharing your children
Miss Nancy

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