

Chebeague Pre-K News – February 7, 2014

This newsletter will take you through February 7th. My camera with more recent photos still resides at school because of the snow day.



A popular fine motor work has been wrapping elastics around a cylinder.



We talked about the difference between 2-D and 3-D shapes. We drew a 2-D snowman on paper, made a 3-D snowman by stuffing newspaper into a plastic bag, shaped it with string and tape before putting it in a white bakery bag and decorating it. They then drew a 2-D portrait of their creation.



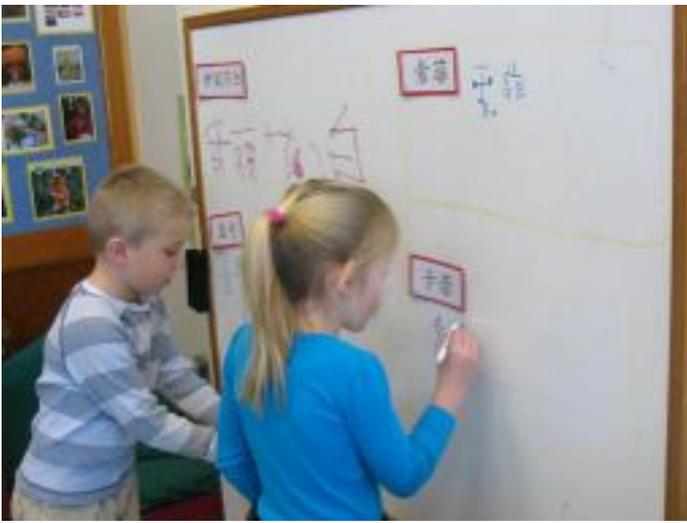
The snow has provided us two opportunities to try out snowshoes. Some associated it with walking with flippers on your feet.



They are all beginning to make teen numbers with a ten bar and bead stairs.



Thanks to Linda White (Miss Linda) for her help on this project.



They decided writing their names in Chinese characters took a lot of concentration.



Fans are fun to explore.



They shared the Chinese New Year dragon dance with our friends at the Island Commons.



Miss Linda shared some of her photos from a trip to China.



A fine motor work: Hide the Buddha in one of the Chinese purses. Have a friend find the Buddha. They all have different closures.



Each child made an emperor/empress hat. We started by cutting out a 2-D circle with a slit. They wrote their name in Chinese characters.



They glued the circle into a cone and while it dried wrapped the tassel material and bundled it together with a rubber band just like they had done on the cylinders. Snip the ends, glue it on and you get an Emperor and 3 Empresses.



We continue constructing three letter phonetic words with the moveable alphabet. Once constructed they check their work by finding the matching word card.



Matching lower case letters to uppercase letters (the uppercase letters are underneath)



Listening to ending sounds: pictures ending in ap or ag are named and sorted. Next the words get sorted by looking at the ending letter, matched to the correct picture, and then they go through and read the words.

Calendar Updates

Feb 15-21: Winter Break

Feb 24: Valentine's Day at CIS - postponed due to snow day

*Thank you for sharing your children!
Miss Nancy*