

# Chebeague Pre-K News – March 1, 2013

We worked our way back into our school routines after winter break with a bit of snowshoeing. Once "plops" were discovered making plops became the primary focus of the hike. In case you are wondering here is how to make a plop: Stand under a snow laden pine and shake vigorously. Laugh heartily. I think they would have happily spent the entire morning doing this but we moved them along. Polly came too and together we acted out a story with puppets about how snow provides insulation for animals. The story had a mouse cousin from Florida visiting a Maine mouse. We left some seed out by the "talking tree" for any hungry animals.



A group plop effort



Around post 7 we found places were deer had bed down so we tried them out.

Indoors there were many valentine works that came out just before winter break that had yet to be explored.



1:1 correspondence: Roll a die then take that many wooden hearts and place them on the heart outlines on the cards. Play until your card and your friend's card is full.



Squeezing dots of colored water onto a heart shaped soap holder. Good for fine motor and concentration. In the background twisting screws of graduated sizes into nutserts. Good for fine motor and visual perception (grading)

Our science lessons have transitioned into physical science. One of the works is sorting of magnetic/ non-magnetic items. Another involves predicting and experimenting with the ability to

move an object with wind. Some of the objects move easily and some need more focused wind. Some good observations were made regarding how to move a cylinder by blowing through a straw.



Can you move it? How can you move it?



Pin punching works change with unit studies and holidays. Here she pin punched out a heart - luck would have it that it fit perfectly onto the heart on her dress. I just love it when things like that happen. ☺



Twisting line on a cleat

The cleat has been a fun work and fun for storytelling about how to secure the line so that the boat does not float away but also not wrapped too tricky to get undone in a hurry.



Architects at work

### Calendar updates

**March 7:** Island Commons field trip

**March 10:** Daylight Savings Time Change

*Thank you for sharing your children!  
Miss Nancy*