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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year to everyone! Our best wishes for a much better 2021 year! We thank you for all the wonderful gifts we received and for trusting us with your children.

Our topic for this week was the season "Winter". During Circle Time, we talked about the typical weather for Winter, (nothing to do with the Floridian one!). We talked about the cold, the snow and the snowflakes, the way we dress when it's cold (boots, mittens, scarfs, boots, etc...), and the activities we can enjoy when it is snowing such as building a snowman, snowball fights, angel snow, skiing, skiboarding, sledding. We learned about the Arctic and Antarctica and the animals that live in these regions.

We also learned words starting with the letter K: kite, kitten, key, kangaroo, king, kind, kitchen, knee, kick, kiss, kid and we practiced to write and trace the letter K.

During playground time, to stay healthy and warm, we aligned 5 hula hoops and asked the children to hop like Kangaroo. They really enjoyed this activity and did it several times.

For Story Time, we read the following stories: Amy Loves the Snow, First Snowfall, Polar Bear, Polar Bear What Do You Hear?, First Day of Winter, Winter Wonderland, (story with the lyrics of the song), and Polar Bear Night.

We did the following projects: the children traced the letter K and made a pattern using dot markers, they made a snowman collage using different shapes, they traced a mitten and colored and decorated it. They painted a polar bear using a stencil and glued artificial snow. Finally, we experimented as we observed which way an ice cube melts the fastest: holding it wrapped in a cloth, adding water on it or just leaving it in the sun? If you want to know, just ask your child!

As we begin the new year, every 2 weeks we are going to name a "Student of the Week". When you see your child's name, you will have 2 weeks to make together a beautiful poster including family pictures, any favorite (activities, places, animals, etc) anything that your child can talk about.

Student of the week:

- Rainbow 1: Maximo Doria
- Rainbow 2: Santiago Arevalo

Please bring a poster no later than Monday, January 25th.

Quote of the week:

- "You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream." — C.S. Lewis
- "Be always at war with your vices, at peace with your neighbors, and let each year find you a better man." — Benjamin Franklin

Have a wonderful weekend!
Mrs. Miriam & Mrs. Murielle