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Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! We hope you had a great winter break! We would like to wish our friend Anaileigh from Silver Door 1 and Jeremiah from Silver Door 2 a happy birthday!

Some important dates: Monday, January 16, 2023 there will be no school, our center will be closed and Monday, January 23, 2023 will be a teacher planning day. It will be a non-instructional day and attendance is NOT mandatory.

This week we finished Unit 5. Our question of the week was "What kind of things live on a farm?" We discussed different type of fruits and vegetables that grow on a farm. Our vocabulary words were fresh, delicious, special, beneath, and raise. Our story of the week was "An Orange in January." This story allowed students to see how oranges grow and are taken to stores. Starting this week, we will have two letters of the week and two sight words. The letters were Ff and Rr. The students are constantly reviewing the other letter sounds so it's very important to practice weekly. Our sight words were with and he. For grammar, we did our final review on pronouns. We reviewed the pronouns he, she, it, you,

we, and I. Students were paired together to create their own sentences on a sentence strip and identify the pronouns. Next week we begin Unit 6.

In math, we started Chapter 7. This chapter will be about counting and representing numbers 11-19. This week we were able to complete lessons 7.1-7.4. The students were able to model and count the numbers 11-14. They were able to read and recognize the number words. The students were able to model the numbers 11-14 using counters on two ten frames and cubes. Students played two games to review the phrase "10 ones and ___ ones." for each number. Then children were able to choose a number, use geometrical shapes to build something new and trace it on a paper. Next week we will continue with the numbers 13-17.

This week in social studies, we learned all about an important person named Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. We learned that Dr. King was a great leader who wanted to share peace, love, and equality in our country. He was born on January 15, 1929, in Atlanta, Georgia. This is why we celebrate him on the third Monday in January. He gave famous speech called "I Have a Dream." The students were able to hear a small portion of it. They also learned that he peacefully fought for people to be united. He did not like violence or anger. He won a special award called the Nobel Peace Prize. The students made a mobile using some important words to describe him like peace, boycott, leader, and freedom. They also played a game where they were able to identify different ways to be kind to others.

We hope you have a great long weekend,

Ms. Adriana and Mrs. Wanda