

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2019

Mrs. Wolek & Miss Teagan M/W/F and T/Th Classes

It's hard to believe it is already December, and 2019 is coming to an end. Time flies when you're having fun! We welcomed the month of November with snow as the students excitedly entered the classroom with snow pants, boots and mittens. They were so happy to play outside and enjoy the wintry weather!

The fun continued when we transformed the dramatic play area into a coffee and doughnut shop. We all had fun making and delivering pretend doughnuts and coffee to our classmates and teachers. Our toy coffee maker was very popular! The preschoolers loved pushing the button to hear the coffee brewing.

November was very busy! Many of our activities reinforced the learning of the letters Tt, Gg and Ii. We introduced the letter Tt by creating a sparkly turtle craft and playing with plastic turtles in sand. We soon discovered "turkey" also starts with Tt, and the students learned several new vocabulary words and facts about turkeys. They practiced using those words while dancing to a silly version of the "Hokey Pokey" called the "Turkey Pokey." The children also used scissors to snip paper turkey feathers and then combined their feathers to complete a class turkey. To help us remember the letter Gg, we stamped dot markers to represent gumballs in gumball machines. We counted our gumballs and talked about their colors as we completed our projects. In addition, the preschoolers used problem solving skills and creativity to construct igloos for letter Ii. As the month came to an end, all of our Barlina House friends gathered together for a fantastic feast. The children also made beautiful keepsake gifts for their parents and can't wait for them to be opened. They love surprises!

December will be filled with cheerful singing, dancing and the playing of instruments. The jingle bells are always a class favorite! We'll also set up a workshop with tools and a workbench where the students will have a chance to become little builders. Our focus this month will be the letters Dd, Ee and Jj. We have a lot of exciting activities planned.

Our preschoolers make us smile every day. It's so amazing to watch them grow and learn new skills. We appreciate our parents and students and hope all our families have a wonderful winter break! We look forward to seeing all of you in the New Year!

Barlina House Wishes You Happy Holidays

