## Infants

Happy Holidays! I can't believe it's the end of the year already and that we are about to go into a new year. We have had so much fun learning and watching the infants hit different milestones throughout the year. Last month we welcomed our new teacher Mac into the classroom. We also celebrated our friends Hudson and Penn's 1<sup>st</sup> birthday. The infants enjoyed a lot of hands-on sensory activities through our food and flavor unit such as: playing in the water table with different citrus foods, working on our fine motor skills through our sensory bags and doing various art projects using different foods such as Jello, corn, celery and frozen cool whip. We even did a science experiment where we made popcorn kernels dance by putting them in a bath of water and baking soda in which they sank to the bottom of the container. Then we added vinegar and watched them all to float up to the top. Each week we did various taste tests such as tasting apples, lemons, limes, and saltine crackers. Lastly, at mealtime we worked really hard on using our words and telling a teacher when we are all done versus screaming at us.

During the month of December, we are going to be talking about our community and families. With the holidays in full swing this month, we are going to talk about what makes a family. We will also talk some about who is in our family through looking at our family photos posted in our classroom. In addition, to talking about families we are going to be doing some activities that coincide with the various people and objects we see in our community. Some of the things that we will be talking about in our community are garbage and recycling, police officers, firefighters, doctors, and construction people. One of the art projects that we will be doing is taking a very small amount of toothpaste and free painting with a toothbrush. Lastly, we will be working on special holiday project for our parents.

This month, we would like to wish our friends Simon and Emmett a very Happy 1<sup>st</sup> birthday! We would also like to wish our friend McKenna the best as she starts her transition to toddlers.

Have a great winter break and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year! Mrs. Elizabeth, Ms. Mara, and Ms. Jasmine







