# Mrs. McKenna's Newsletter



## January 13, 2017

#### This Week in ELA:

This week in reading, we continued to practice asking, "Does it look right? Does it sound right? Does it make sense?" We want to learn to monitor our reading by pausing when we get to a word that seems like it doesn't belong. Then we give it another try! We also read *Arctic Animals*, a poem about different animals you might find in this habitat. In writing workshop, we learned about writing friendly letters and got started writing some of our very own. You may be receiving some mail soon. ©

#### This Week in Math:

This week in math, we visited hands-on math stations to practice skills such as counting, 2D shapes, 3D shapes, patterning, and sorting.

#### This Week in Science:

We studied the Arctic habitat and researched the arctic fox, polar bears, walruses, and arctic terns. Thanks to Mrs. Wertz and Mrs. Peebles who assisted us with our research!





### December Birthdays!

Ammar Reed 1/9 Taylor Jensen 1/12 Sawyer Anderson 1/29

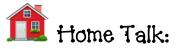
#### Important Dates:

1/16 MLK Jr. Day- No School 1/26 NASA night



#### Announcements:

- Thank you to those families who were able to come to our Parent University Night. We hope you found it valuable! Those who could not attend, I will be happy to share resources with you if you are interested! Send me an e-mail! <sup>(i)</sup>
- Sorry again about the book checkout confusion! Let's plan on doing another checkout on Tuesday next week.



Ask your child what he/she learned about the Arctic this week in school. What do you remember about the animals you researched? Would you find a penguin in this habitat?



Each week, teachers will pick a student who has done a great job being a "bucket filler," or a kind friend. This week, our bucket filler is: **Violet Strom** 

