

# January 2018

SUN.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
South Pole/Penguins Snow Black Bird	1	2	3 First day back to school!	4	5 Wear black Black snack  <u>Show &amp; Tell</u> Something received for Christmas	6
7 South Pole/Penguins Questions <u>Science: Air</u>	8	9	10	11 Manners Day	12 Wear black  Black snack  (parents visit)	13
14 North Pole/Polar Bears Blue Jay <u>Science: magnets</u>	15 No school (Martin Luther King jr. Day)	16	17	18	19 Kerigan's Birthday Wear black Black Snack  (parents visit)	20
21 Cardinals  North Pole  <u>Science: electricity</u>	22	23	24	25	26 Wear red  Red snack  (parents visit)	27
28 Bird Feeders Mocha's Birthday <u>Science: Kitchen Chemistry</u>	29	30	31 Mocha's Birthday	<u>Author:</u> Jan Brett  <u>Helpers:</u> Dugan Family Kambanis Family	<u>Numerals:</u> 7 & 8  <u>Colors:</u> Black and Red	<u>Science:</u> "Hands On" Unit  <u>Letters:</u> S, W, P, B, J, M

## **Special Events**

Welcome Back! This month we will be traveling to the South Pole and the North Pole to learn about penguins and polar bears. We will also be talking about winter birds in our backyards, learning about opposites, what a question is, work on our number books, and learning our house addresses. We will continue to explore the alphabet, talk about the colors black and red, and of course do lots of projects that involve SNOW!!

**Monthly Helpers-** A very big thank you to the Davis Family (Case) and The Wells Family (Lyla) for all of their help in the month of December. It is a short but very busy month and we could not have gotten it all done without their help. Thank you both very much!! Our monthly helpers for January are the Dugan Family (Derek) and the Kambanis Family (Bobby).

**Science-** This month we will experiment with electricity, air, magnets, and kitchen chemistry.

**Each child needs to bring in one “D” battery by January 18<sup>th</sup> for use in a really fun science experiment!**

**Author-** Our author this month will be Jan Brett. We will start to talk about the different styles that authors have and what they like to write about.

**Movie of the Month-** We will watch “Polar Prowl” when visiting the North and South Poles.

**Alphabet-** Starting in January, we will be talking about six or seven letters of the alphabet each month. We will do both the upper and lower case letters, talk about the sound of each letter, what words start with each letter, and begin writing the letters. This will be a very informal presentation of the alphabet. We will also start the alphabet hunt game. The last day of each month, we will send home a brown bag with a special letter inside. Your child should find an item to put in the bag that starts with that letter and bring it to school to show the class the next day.

**Mocha’s Birthday-** Our monkey is turning five on January 31st! We will celebrate Mocha’s birthday with a special party! No lunch is needed on this day. (Shhh!!!! Don’t tell Mocha!!)

## **FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

**Outside-** We go outside every day that we can. **Please make sure you have gloves/mittens and a hat in your child’s bucket every day!!**

**Sick Children**-Please keep children home if they are not feeling well. Thick runny noses can be a sign of an infection. With flu season upon us, we are encouraging lots of hand washing. You all have been very good about keeping children home if they are coughing, have a runny nose, or are just not feeling up to par. Thanks! We all want to stay healthy during this flu season.

**Utensils** – Please make sure that you provide any utensils (spoons, forks etc.) that your child needs to eat lunch.

**Looking Ahead**- Sterling photography will be taking individual and class pictures on February 1 & 2.  
February Manners Day-Thursday February 8th

**Snow Policy**

If Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS) closes due to rain, freezing rain, ice, or snow, Faith Preschool is also closed. IF MCPS delays classes by two hours, the preschool will be closed.