

BELUGA BUZZ

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Christmas Party Picture!

Important Dates

- January 5th-School Resumes
- January 9th-CSA spirit wear day
- January 21st-Field Trip-Hands on Museum
- January 23rd-Spirit wear day (theme tbd)
- January 30th-Spirit wear-Math themed
- January 30th-CSA Family Movie
Night-hosted by Parent Council

January Share:

Share Time this month: students are sharing a picture of them outside to celebrate our 1000 hours outside challenge. Please email a picture of your learner outside or bring in a picture of your learner on or before their share date. The share calendar will be sent home in Tuesday folders on 1/6.

WEEK AT A GLANCE:

MONDAY: LIBRARY 12:35-1:10
TUESDAY: MUSIC 12:35-1:10
WEDNESDAY: ART 12:35-1:10
THURSDAY: GYM 12:35-1:10

Highlights from the Beluga Classroom

-During the month of December we learned about what animals do in winter, Holidays Around the World; Hanukkah, Christmas, Kwanza and Happy Christmas, Linus Minus, writing numbers beyond 30, wrote a personal narrative about their favorite winter memory and completed grinch and holiday themed activities.

During the month of January we are:

- *Learning about weather; how do humans adapt to winter weather
- *The New Year
- *Learning about Martin Luther King Jr.
- *Science-states of matter (Melly the Snowman)
- *Antarctica Geography shelf
- *Hands on Museum Field Trip
- *Force and Motion
- *Review sentence structure; starting with a capital letter and ending with either a period, question mark, or exclamation mark
- *Learning new sight words
- *Review all lowercase letters and continue working toward accurate, consistent letter formation.
- *Use the power of re-reading
- *Readers stretch through the words, look for familiar chunks, flip the vowel sound (& other animal reading strategies focused on decoding skills) and use numerous strategies at once
- *Solve tricky parts by continuing to point under each word even if you know the pattern by heart.
- *Think about what is happening in the book to help them point to and read the words
- *Students will continue learning about subtraction
- *Continue solving fact families
- *Creating snowflake and winter art projects

Birthdays of the Month

Happy birthday to the following student(s) who will be celebrating their birthday in the month of January:

Gwen-January 28th



Force and Motion: Students will be learning all about Force and Motion this month. We will enrich this lesson by going to the Hands On Museum at the end of January.

Beluga Ball: Beluga 2026 Projects (basket and large item)

*This year for the Beluga Ball our class will be donating both a Large Project (tbd) and a Spa Day Basket(s). Our Beluga Representative, Austin Hartford and I will be meeting the first week back and finalizing plans as well as creating a sign-up genius.

***Ways you can help:**

Use the sign up genius (will email to you by the end of the week) for the basket and donating to the project. The sign up will give you some ideas and I have included an Amazon link for each item as an example. The items do not have to be purchased from Amazon or be the exact same color/example! If you have any other (new, un-opened) SPA essential items feel free to donate those too. Items can be turned into the classroom. I would like all of the donations by February 6th to have enough time to put the baskets together. There is also a venmo option if it is easier to donate that way! Cash donations can be brought to the classroom as well, just make sure they are labeled Beluga Ball. Thank you again for your support to make this possible!

Thank you!

Thank you so much for all the love this Christmas season. Whether it was your time, donations, or gifts; it is so appreciated!!

Friendly Reminders

*PLEASE send your child's snow/winter gear in a separate BAG. This helps them tremendously!

*Send a water bottle your child can keep in his/her cubby for quick and easy water breaks.

*Please label any outdoorwear; this includes sweaters.

*January Share-Picture of your child playing outside (see January calendar for when it is your child's day to share.)

Proper Outerwear/Changing Weather

*With the weather changing and temperatures dropping, please make sure your child is appropriately dressed to go out to recess. If the temperature drops below 55 degrees students must have a light jacket/coat or sweater on. Every day we go out to recess weather permitting. There is NO indoor recess option this year. If we stay in the whole class will stay in and it will be due to rain or if the temperature drops below 0. 😊 Also, make sure all items are labeled. Thank you!

Character Corner :

This month in kindergarten, our Character Corner will focus on goal setting! We will learn that a goal is something we work toward and try our best to achieve. Students will practice setting simple, meaningful goals, such as improving their reading, writing neatly, or being kind classmates. We will talk about how taking small steps, practicing every day, and not giving up helps us reach our goals. By learning to set and work toward goals, our kindergarteners are building confidence and pride in their learning!

Beluga Pictures:

- ★Narrative Writing
 - ★Hibernation Celebration
 - ★CSPA Senior visit
 - ★ Gingerbread Science
- ★Gingerbread scavenger hunt
 - ★Grinch Day
 - ★Christmas Concert
 - ★Christmas party
- ★Recess
 - ★Spirit Wear days
 - ★ Holidays Around the World

