

# Ms. Kelly's January News 2021



Happy New Year!!! I have never been so happy to say that. Hoping and praying that this year brings good things for all of us.

This January I will begin to have the children start writing out their last names during morning work. Please encourage them to use proper grip when they are writing and coloring at home.

Please remember to send warm coats, hats, and mittens/gloves to school daily. We go outside at 10 a.m., weather permitting. You can send in boots with a change of shoes if you would like.

Thank you for sending in your holiday tradition sheets. We had fun comparing and celebrating our likes and differences.



Our themes this month are Clothes and Music. The letters are Dd, Gg, Oo, and Ll. You can help us with our studies by sending in an item of clothes your child wore when they were a baby. We will talk about patterns, snaps, buttons, zippers, and sizes. I will send them home after the second week.

For the last two weeks, you can help by sending in any instruments you may have at home that the children can explore. We will NOT be using our mouths on any of them. Also, if you have some favorite music that you would like to share, please send it in.

Important dates:

12 & 13- Wear a hat day

14 & 15-Pajama day

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Love, Ms. Kelly

Week of: January 4-8

Teacher: Ms. Kelly

Sandpipers

Study: Clothes  
we want to find out? Dd

Exploring the Topic: What do we know about clothes? What do

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Interest Areas</b>	Lace and design a large mitten /paint sticks	Painting a shirt cut-out with dots	Painting on Denim	Art: collage materials, fabric scraps, scissors glue,	Painting with spoons black paper/white paint
<b>Large Group</b>	Discussion and Shared Writing: Introduction to the Clothing Collection  What was your favorite holiday memory?	Discussion and Shared Writing: What Makes Our Clothes Special?  What was your favorite holiday memory?	Movement: Dancing With Scarves  Discussion and Shared Writing: Describing Clothing	Movement: Dancing With Scarves  Discussion and Shared Writing: What Do We Know About Clothes?	Game: Who's wearing what?  Discussion and Shared Writing: What Do We Want to Find Out About Clothes?
<b>Read-Aloud</b>	<i>The Mitten</i>	<i>Animals should definitely not wear clothes</i>	<i>The Jacket I wear the snow</i>	<i>The day Jimmy's Boate the wash</i>	The Snowy Day
<b>Small Group</b>	Exploring the Clothing Collection  Religion(all week)	Sorting & Classifying Clothes	Organizing the Clothes Collection  Circle cutting activity	Fabric dress a doll  Circle cutting activity	Button Match

**Outdoor Experiences:** Exploring Scarves; Clothing Conversations; Jump the River

**Family Partnerships:** Please send in an article of clothing that your child wore as a baby.

**Wow! Experiences:** None.

Study: Music

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Interest Areas</b>	No School  Martin Luther King Jr.	Painting with drumsticks  Easel Painting	Painting with drumsticks  Easel Painting	Create a Kazoo markers  Easel Painting	Create a Kazoo markers  Easel Painting
<b>Large Group</b>		What do we know about music?	What kind of instruments can we play with our hands?	What types of instruments can we play with our mouths?	What do you want to learn about music?
<b>Read Aloud</b>		Snow Dance	Shalom Aleichem	The Wheels on the Bus	Olivia forms a Band
<b>Small Group</b>		Religion(all week)  musical instrument matching game	Which drumsticks make the best sound?	Counting and sorting our musical instruments  octagon pattern blocks	Glasses and water exploring sound  Octagon pattern blocks

Outdoor Activities-Play our outdoor musical instruments

Family Partnership-Please send in musical instruments to help during our Music theme. They can be real or toy instruments. We will NOT be playing instruments that you use your mouth to play. We will be exploring those instruments with our hands and eyes. You can also send in music cds that you would like us to listen to. We will be extra careful with the instruments and they will be returned at the end of the month.

WOW experiences! Listening to different types of music and exploring instruments.

Week of: January 25-29

Teacher: Ms. Kelly

Sandpipers

Study: Music Letter L

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Interest Areas</b>	Finger painting circle cutout create a lollipop	Listen and Paint Trumpet cutout Jazz music	Listen and Paint Watercolors Classical music	Painting a lemon cutout with lemon scented paint	Create a lovebug cutting, glueing, collaging
<b>Large Group</b>	Song: "I'm a Sturdy Oak Tree"  Discussion and Shared Writing: What is your favorite type of music?	Song: "I'm a Sturdy Oak Tree"  Discussion and Shared Writing: What is your favorite type of music?	Discussion and Shared Writing: Do you have a favorite song?	If you could learn to play any instrument, what instrument would you choose?	If you could learn to play any instrument, what instrument would you choose?
<b>Read-Aloud</b>	<i>Giraffes Can't Dance</i>	<i>Abiyoyo</i>	Twinkle Twinkle Little Star	<i>Itsy Bitsy Spider</i>	One Love
<b>Small Group</b>	Religion(all week)  Lavender scented playdough  Legos	Lavender playdough  memory games	Alphabet lock and keys matching game  Sorting and comparing musical instruments	Circle cutting build a snowman (for memory book) TH & F	Exploring/counting our musical instrument collection
<b>Outdoor Experiences:</b> Playing the musical instruments on the playground					
<b>Family Partnerships:</b> Share your favorite music with your child					
<b>Wow! Experiences:</b>					