



The Jones Journal

November 21, 2024



Suhani and Elliot Ruth 'shop' for books during center time.

THE PAST TWO WEEKS...

...we read *IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE*, *IF YOU GIVE A PIG A PANCAKE*, *IF YOU GIVE A MOOSE A MUFFIN*, *IF YOU GIVE A PIG A PARTY*, *IF YOU GIVE A DOG A DONUT*, *IF YOU GIVE A CAT A CUPCAKE* and *IF YOU TAKE A MOUSE TO THE MOVIES*. We discussed ways these books are the same and ways they are different. We completed a venn diagram comparing *IF YOU GIVE A MOUSE A COOKIE* and *IF YOU GIVE A PIG A PANCAKE*. We even accomplished a triple venn diagram on three of Laura Numeroff's books!

FYI

*Our Winter Program is scheduled for Wednesday, December 18th. During this program the children sing songs and perform routines that involve things they have learned in music. The program starts at 1:00 and will last approximately 30 minutes. Make sure to bring your camera and other family members if they are in town for the holidays! Our music teacher, Mr. Rowser, will be communicating more information, including attire.

*After the Winter Program (1:30ish), we will head back to the room for a quick classroom celebration. I will send out more details closer to time. Everyone is invited to join us!

*Click on the link to see a copy of our class book titled [S. JONES' CLASS, S. JONES' CLASS, WHO DO YOU SEE?](#) I thought it would be great if each child had access to their own copy at home (they all have their own copy at school in their book boxes.) This is a great reading opportunity for your child to practice many skills (accuracy, automaticity, fluency, sight words, etc.) and a

wonderful way for you to get to know faces/names of classmates.

NEEDED

*Thank you to everyone who has sent in gallon-sized plastic jugs (e.g., gallon milk containers.) We still need a few more for an activity we will be doing over the next couple of weeks. The white plastic works best; however, we will take the clear/frosted color also!

*After we return from the Thanksgiving holidays, a permission form for our second Behavior Celebration will be sent home. December 13th we will be going to see the movie *Moana 2*. This will be quick 'turn around' so make sure to return it ASAP.

PARENT READING

This week's reading is titled *Put Reading First: Helping Your Child Learn to Read*. It is a very informative flyer published by The Partnership for Reading. Each of the three sections (1. If your child is just beginning to learn to read, 2. If your child is just beginning to read, and 3. If your child is reading) lists things you should see at school and how you can help at home. The article is attached to the same email as this newsletter. It can also be found on our classroom's blog (mrssjonesclass.blogspot.com) on the right side under *Suggested Parent Readings*.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- November 22 – S. Jones absent
- 27-29 – Thanksgiving Holidays
- December 6 – November journals go home
- 13 – Behavior Celebration (*Moana 2*)
- 18 – Winter Program @ 1:00
- 18 – Class Party/Celebration @ 1:30
- 19 – Pajama Day
- 19 – End of 2nd nine weeks
- December 20-January 6 – Winter Holidays**
- Students return on Tuesday, January 7th**

ONE LAST THING

Have you heard your child talk about *Lexia* but can't figure out what in the world it is?! Simply stated, it is an online learning program that students complete independently each week in the classroom. It is required for all classroom teachers to implement it with their students. If interested, link on the picture to the right to read a little more about this program.

