Monday

Kara is the “Top Banana”

Return Reading folders

Tuesday

Happy Birthday Kara!

Winter Rehearsal

Mystery Reader

Wednesday

Homework

Winter Program (9:30 am)

Thursday

Library

NWEA Testing

Friday

# “Top Banana” News

Emma M. was our “Top Banana” for the week. The children learned many new things about her. She is five years old and her favorite color is purple. She likes to eat barbeque chips and watch *Sophia the First.* Emma M. likes to play hide and go seek and play with dolls. She wants to be a car instructor when she grows up because she wants to fix cars.

NEXT WEEK’S TOP BANANA:

Kara

Emily and Austin celebrated their 6th birthdays this week at school. We hope both of you had a wonderful day. Aubree will be celebrating her 6th birthday over break. We can’t wait to celebrate with you when we return to school.

Reading - This week we read stories titled *Olive, The* *Other Reindeer*, *The Night Before Hanukkah, Let’s Celebrate Diwali* and *My First Kwanzaa*. We practiced asking and answering questions about a text, speaking clearly and audibly, retelling a familiar story and identifying characters, setting and major events in a story. The children were introduced to Decodable Books, I Can Nap and Tap with Me. The children learned high frequency words “are” and “what”. Please continue to reinforce these high frequency words at home.

Phonics/Phonemic Awareness – We continued working on identifying rhyming words, identifying beginning and ending sounds as well as blending sounds together. The children reviewed the letter Ff and the sound that it makes. They also reviewed the –am word family this week. Please continue to read and write words from this word family at home.

Writing - We continued working on building sentences while focusing on beginning our sentences with capital letters, using “one finger” spacing and using correct ending marks.

Math – This week we worked on solving addition word problems within 10 and recorded the equation, finding different number pairs for numbers 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 using cubes.

Social Studies – This week we continued traveling around the world and visited more countries while learning about the holidays that each country celebrates. We traveled to Israel (Hanukkah), Mexico (Las Posadas/Christmas), Egypt (Eid), India (Diwali) and USA (Kwanzaa). The children had such a great time traveling the world learning about all the different holidays. Hopefully they will share with you some of the neat things that they learned. ☺

Art – The children had fun making menorahs, poinsettias, the moon and stars, corn and a diya.

# Next Week’s Highlights

# This Week in Class

### Dr. Julian Rogus Elementary School

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# Happy Birthday!

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# Mystery Reader

Mr. Hill (Andrew’s dad) was our Mystery Reader this week. The children enjoyed listening to him read stories titled *The Monster at the End of This Book, Max and The Won’t Go to Bed Show* and *What Santa Can’t Do.* The children enjoyed having a “dad” come and read to them. Thanks again, Mr. Hill!

**\*Tuesday, December 11th**

 **Mystery Reader**

**\*Tuesday, December 11th**

 **Winter Rehearsal**

**\*Wednesday, December 12th**

 **Winter Program (9:30 am)**

**\*Thursday, December 13th**

 **NWEA Testing**

**\*Tuesday, December 18th**

 **Band & Choir Holiday Tour**

**\*Thursday, December 20th**

 **Gingerbread Cookie Decorating**

**\*Friday, December 21st**

 **Winter Wonderland**

**\*Friday, December 21st**

 **Last Day of School (Winter Break**

 **Begins)**

**\*Monday, January 7th**

**School Resumes**

**Have a GREAT weekend!**

\*Please have your child write his/her name on each page of their homework. This is a great way to practice printing their names neatly.

\*\*Please work with your child on his/her self-help skills (i.e. putting on their coats, zipping their coats, packing their own backpacks and tying their own shoes). What a sense of accomplishment they will have when they can do these things all by themselves!

* Practice tying your shoes.
* Practice reciting your phone number and address.
* Practice writing your first name.
* Practice identifying the letters of the alphabet.
* Practice printing numbers 0-10.
* Practice identifying numbers

 0-10.

* Return your library books on Thursday.

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