## Ms. Smith

# Ms. Smith's Fantastic

January was a successful and busy month! Everyone transitioned smoothly back from the holidays and into our regular routines, with some new ones added!

What's in Store

#### <u>Math</u>

We have a lot happening this month! In math we are going to be wrapping up our geometry unit looking at length, width, height, area and perimeter and moving into 3-Dimensional shapes! We will be working with the Grade 4 class for this unit and will be making some fun 3-D creations in lieu of Valentines Day! We will also be looking at the locations and movement of objects on a map as well as reviewing patterning and introducing patterns with two attributes.

#### <u>Language</u>

Our Language focus for this term will be on understanding different points of view. We will be working through different points of view presented in different stories. This is a very tricky concept for children to understand, so practicing this at home ('before bed reading'), would help your child practice understanding different points of view and responding orally about them. You can also try having them pretend to be different objects (e.g., shoe) and describing in the first person, what it is like to be a shoe!

In Language we are really focusing on 'getting into the groove' of our new routines. As a class we are going to be placing a lot of focus on guided reading to build our reading comprehension through strategies we are working through as a class (e.g. stretching out tricky words). We will also be working through literacy centers daily to build more independence in the classroom.

"Children are like wet cement, whatever falls on them leaves an impression."



### Important Dates:

- Feb 6 Report Cards go home
- Feb 14 Valentine's Day Party -Prepackaged treats are welcome ©
- Feb 13 Health Unit &14 Dental Screening
  - Feb 20<sup>Family</sup> Day no school
- Feb 28 Pink Day

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