

December 2021

COUGAR CUBS PRESCHOOL

Monthly Newsletter



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DECEMBER LEARNING

Learning this month has been centered around the themes of gingerbread and holidays around the world. December is always a busy time in preschool, but it is also such an exciting and joyous time. Students have been filled with wonder while learning about various holidays, sharing about their family traditions, and exploring the sights, sounds, and smells of the season. Our walls, windows, and hallways have been adorned with beautiful creations made by our preschoolers -- we can't wait to send these art pieces home! While we have been doing lots of fun holiday activities, our preschool teachers have also begun implementing our Heggerty curriculum (focused on phonological awareness).

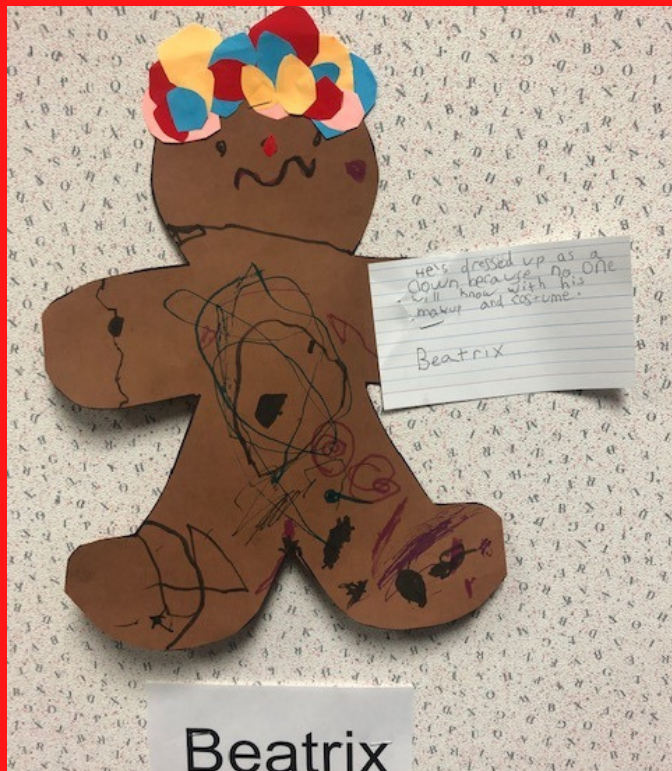
From the preschool staff to your family, we wish you all a safe, happy, and relaxing holiday! We hope you are able to find time to spend with your loved ones doing things you enjoy. See you in January!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Winter Break (No School): December 20th–31st

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: January 17th (No School)

To Be Announced... Preschool Family Association Meetings and Preschool Events!



Disguise A Gingerbread

Standard: CA3.2: Demonstrate creative expression through visual art production

MASK REMINDER

As a reminder, all G-C students and staff members are required to wear masks daily. Please send your child to school with their mask on. We are running out of extra masks quickly.

ARRIVAL AT CCE

Arrival from 7:00–7:30 AM can be a busy time at Cougar Cubs East. Staff members are parking in the parking lot, and the K-3 JBS car line is in front of the school. Please be sure to keep your child close to you while crossing the street to prevent any accidents. **Family members should park in the parking lot, not along the curb, during the K-3 car line.** Students should be walked to door 16 and not sent by themselves. We understand this is a busy time of the morning for families, however; safety is our top priority.

BOWEN CENTER SERVICES

Greenfield-Central has partnered with the Bowen center to establish a Student Assistance Program (SAP). This program is a benefit to ALL students and provides three PREPAID (free to students) telephonic counseling sessions. This is private and confidential. No one is informed of your decision to access this program. To schedule an appointment, you may call 1-800-342-5653 or go to www.bowencenter.org and click on "Schedule an Appointment". There is no co-pay or pre-authorization required for these three prepaid visits. 24 Hour crisis hotline: 1-800-342-5653



Gingerbread Stew

Standards: Math 1.1 Demonstrate strong sense of counting

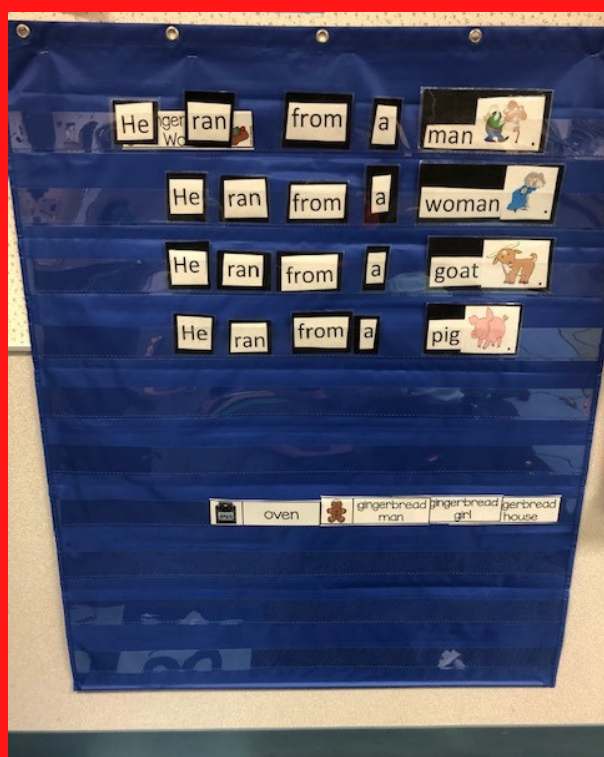
Math 1.2: Demonstrate understanding of written numerals

ATTENDANCE REMINDERS

If your child is going to be absent or arrive late for any reason, please let your child's teacher know by 8:30 AM. If we do not hear from you by 8:30 AM, a school nurse will give you a call to verify if the absence is due to an illness or other COVID-related reason.

PRESCHOOL FAMILY ASSOCIATION

In 2019, Cougar Cubs Preschool established a Preschool Family Association. Family members and preschool staff members gathered approximately once a month to discuss questions related to preschool, to collaborate on special events, and to build relationships between families and staff members. Our meetings have been on pause since the beginning of the COVID pandemic, however; we are looking forward to being meeting again soon! Be on the lookout for information regarding meetings and other preschool events!



Gingerbread Reading and Retelling

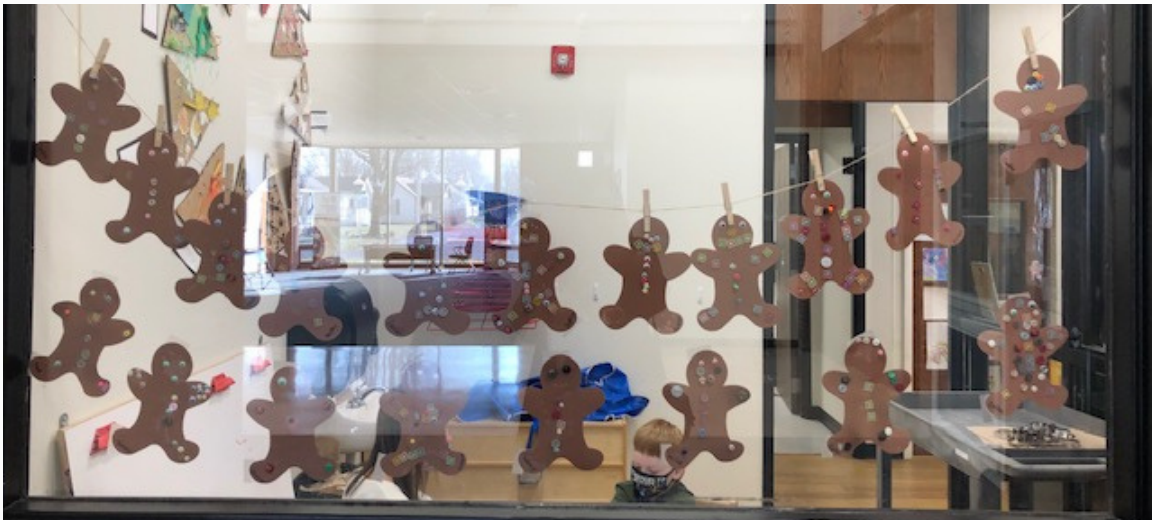
Standards: ELA 2.3 Demonstrate awareness and understanding of concepts of print
ELA 2.4 Demonstrate comprehension

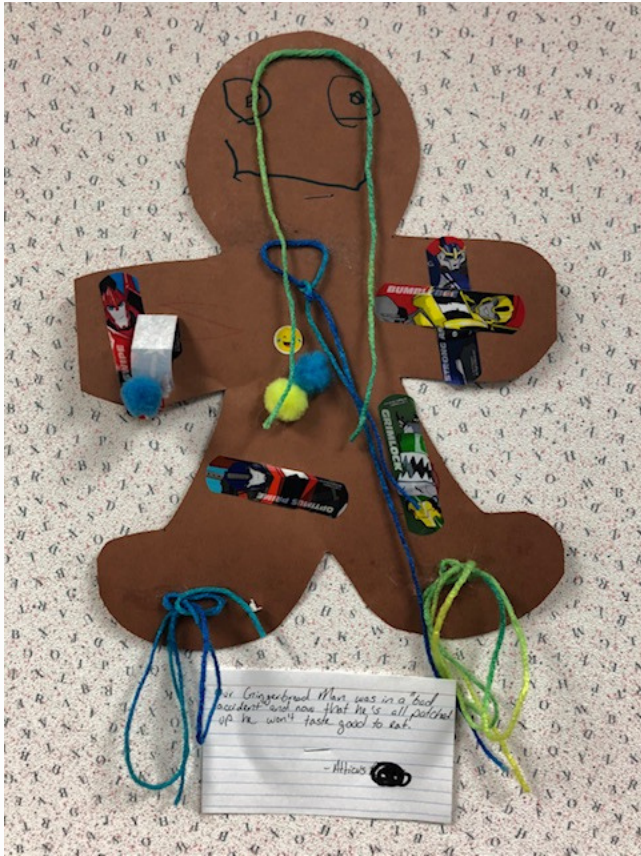
WEATHER







We will continue to take students outside for recess until the temperature is below 32 degrees. Please be sure to send your child dressed appropriately for outdoor play. ***If you are in need of winter clothing for your child, please let us know! We are happy to help!***



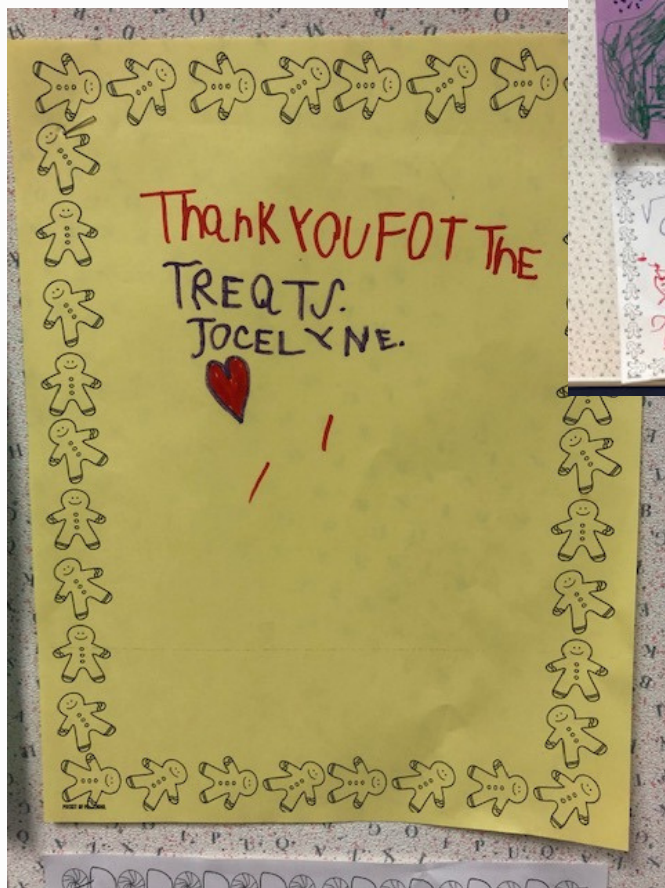
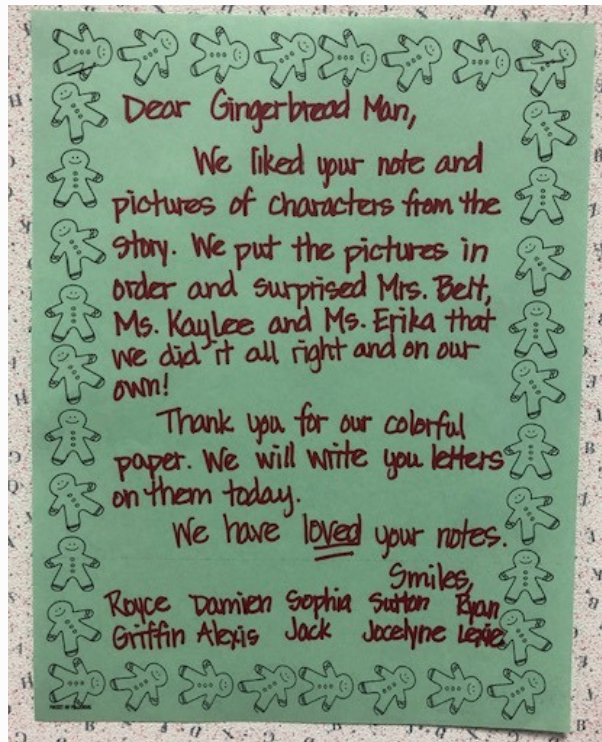


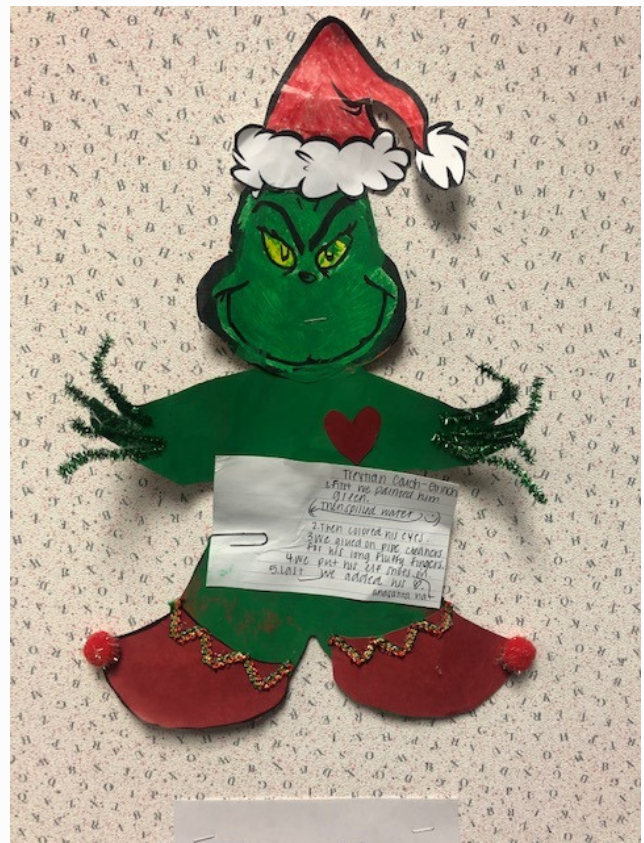
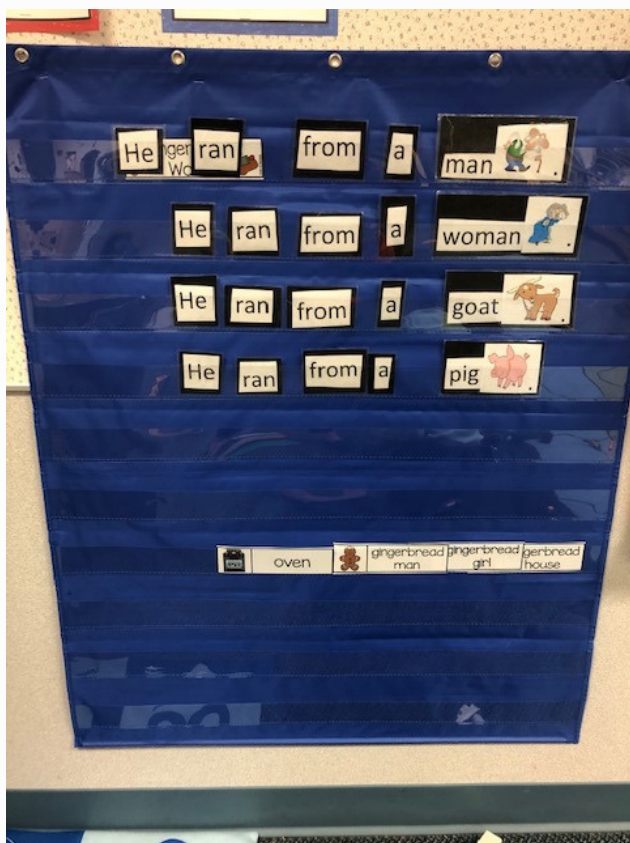




 Gingerbread 5 Senses Exploration				
 look	 smell	 feel	 sound	 taste
Group 1 boring ugly got bit broken arm gingerbread man	Cinnamon Sugar cookie like little gingerbread	Squishy So awesome peeled off	little crack	good Yummy in tummy
Group 2 gingerbread man brown	cinnamon good	bumpy cold nice soft		soft good
Group 3 head arms legs face crack	cinnamon	soft squishy	quiet	good cinnamon like it pretty good









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"WE ALL HAVE DIFFERENT
GIFTS, SO WE ALL HAVE
DIFFERENT WAYS OF SAYING
TO THE WORLD WHO WE ARE."

MR. FRED ROGERS





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