

"When we do the best we can, we never know what miracle is wrought in our life or in the life of another." ~Helen Keller

### **\*The Kindergarten News \***

for the week of 1 / 6 / 24

- Theme — Healthy Kids / Winter
- Introductions -- Sight Words – my, she, from, see/ Number Bonds / OP word family.
- Expressive Vocabulary — generous — 1. willing and happy to share. 2. large, abundant heed — to pay careful attention to and obey.
- Bits of Intelligence — Presidents
- Fable — Jupiter and the Monkey

### **Language Arts**

This week, we begin a new unit on health. We will begin by focusing on doctors and nurses. We will learn how these important helpers work together to keep us healthy and heal us when we are sick. We'll discuss the training they need to perform their jobs, where they work, their tools, and their duties. We'll start the alphabet over and introduce letters in the order they most frequently appear in words, starting with S and A. This approach helps students build early reading skills by focusing on letters they'll see often in text. Our word family for the week is -OP. Students will practice reading and writing words like hop, top, mop, pop, and stop. Encourage your child to find -OP words at home or in books to reinforce their learning.

### **Math / Science**

We're continuing our work on number bonds, focusing on breaking down numbers into smaller parts and combining them to form a whole. This foundational skill strengthens students' understanding of addition and subtraction. In science, we'll explore the elements of air, wind, and water. Students will learn about how air and wind move, how water changes forms (like rain, ice, and steam), and how these elements impact our environment. Hands-on experiments will help children observe these forces in action. In Social Studies, we'll explore how different cultures celebrate New Year's traditions around the world. Students will learn about customs such as fireworks, special foods, and unique cultural practices that mark the start of a new year.

### **Important Dates**

January 15<sup>th</sup>- 100-day projects due

January 17<sup>th</sup> – 100-day party!

**Wishing everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!**