



February

BEAR CUB NEWSLETTER

Washington University Nursery School

Valentine, Love & Friendship Unit

The Bear Cubs having been talking about friendship. Many wonderful children's books are great conversation starters about how to treat others and the value of true friendship. Much of the artwork we have created over the last two weeks involved hearts, Valentines and lots of red and pink!

Books: Thank you Mr. Panda,
Happy Valentine's Day Curious George, Panda's Valentine's Day





Chinese New year

On Monday we celebrated Chinese New year by making red Chinese paper lanterns. Red is considered good luck! 2016 is the Year of the Monkey. We read My First Chinese New Year by Karen Katz.



Winnie has fun creating with play-dough



Valentine's Day is a special time for showing our friends how much we care about them. We enjoyed delivering Valentines to classmates in our beautiful Valentine boxes. Thank you for working with your child in preparing special Valentines for the class.

Fun with Play-Dough

Rolling, pounding, cutting, shaping, and pinching are just a few of the fine motor skills your child learns from playing with play-dough. Plus they have a great time while working on these important fine motor skills! See an easy recipe on the next page 😊

Play-dough Recipe

Ingredients:

2 cups of plain flour
2 tbsp. of cooking oil
1 tsp. cream of tartar
2 cups of water
1 cup of salt
Food coloring

Directions:

Add the food coloring to the water.
Place all of the ingredients in a medium size or large pan.
Cook slowly on medium to high heat and stir until the playdough thickens. Done, very simple!

*Keep the finished playdough in the fridge in a plastic container, that way it lasts longer. This playdough recipe takes less than 10 minutes to make and is super simple.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT REMINDERS FOR PARENTS:

Friday, February 12th – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY – No school for children

Monday, February 15th – PRESIDENT'S DAY – NO SCHOOL

Happy Valentine's Day and enjoy your long weekend!

Much love, Katie & Marsha