# Hoots & Hollers

### News From the Nest

This week at school we learned about two new holidays: Hannukah and Kwanzaa. Each day we read stories to help teach about the traditions and customs of each holiday, sang new songs, and talked about what things were the same in these two holidays and what was different from Christmas.

During our fine motor craft time we made a dreidel, the Hannukah menorah, and a candle using the colors of Kwanzaa.

On Tuesday, Miss Renee taught us about the word frustrated. We talked about what this word means and also discussed different things we could do whenever we are feeling this way.

Our letter of the week was "I". On Friday, we decorated the letter with insect stickers! We also painted the letter "I" stamping it with cubes to make it look like an igloo. Each day of the week during our second circle, we talked about the sound the letter makes. We also made a list of words that begin with this letter.

Stories this week included: Little Dreidel Learns to Spin, The Night Before Hannukah, Hannukah Bear, Lil' Rabbit's Kwanzaa, and My First Kwanzaa.

On Friday, to end the week, we had a super fun Christmas party! We sang Christmas songs, read a couple of holiday stories, decorated cookies, and played Christmas BINGO!

When we come back from break, we will be talking about winter weather. Our letter of the week will be "J". When it is your child's show & share day, they can bring in something that begins with this letter.

# Upcoming Events

Monday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> to Friday, December 27<sup>th</sup> Christmas Holiday, NO SCHOOL \*You are not responsible for payment this week of school\*

> Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> New Year's Eve NO AFTER SCHOOL

#### Week of December 16<sup>th</sup> to December 20<sup>th</sup>

## What We're Learning

















### Reminders

As the weather is getting colder, please remember to send in with your child a jacket, hats, gloves, and boots (if you would like) for when we go outside. You may also want to send in a sweatshirt as it can get chilly in the building.

