

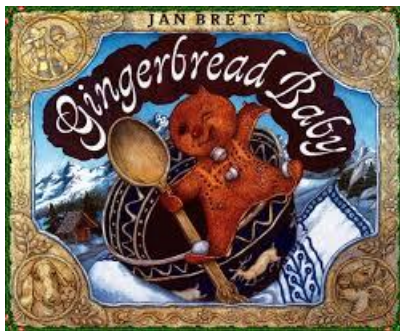


December

Ms. Monson's Classroom Newsletter

Reading

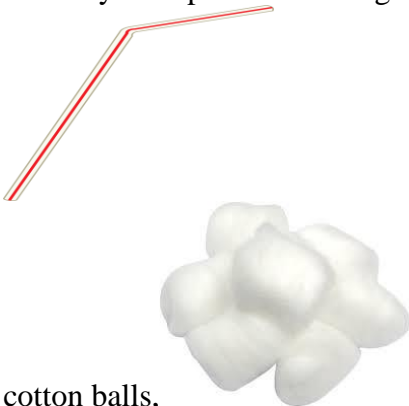
Our focus this month has been comparing texts on a similar topic and learning to use details to describe people, places, and events. We compared and contrasted a variety of Gingerbread stories.



As an arts integration for this lesson, we made gingerbread babies out of clay. They turned out really well!

Science

How does air interact with objects? We are exploring this question as students do a variety of experiments using straws,



cotton balls,

and other fun stuff!

Writing

During our Writers' Workshop, we use our writing to tell others about favorite topics, or what we want to share. Students answer questions about their topic, make connections with the writing of other students, and even bring in items to share.

Math

We are writing equations that represent a story. When we read the word problem, we determine what the question is (or what we are trying to solve) and start by writing out the answer sentence. This helps us organize our thinking and we can more efficiently figure out what is unknown. We use a box to represent the unknown number. Students also compare data and solve problems on graphs with numbers up to 100.

*Have a wonderful winter
break!*

