

# News from Room 48

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## Week in Review...



## Upcoming Events

**Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>** - Conference Requests Due

**Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>** - Spirit Day: Hat Day

**Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>** - Conrad Stord author visit

**Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>** - Grade 3-5 Talent Show 5:30-7 p.m.

**Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>** - President's Day, No School

### ● Reading: Me on the Map

Our story this week was a nonfiction story called Me on the Map. We learned about how important maps are to help us find what we are looking for. We continued to practice alphabetizing words. Our phonics focus was the long vowel /a/ sound in a word and the introduction of the silent /e/ at the end of the word.

### ● Writing: Poetry

This week we started working on poetry. We read Hailstones and Halibut Bones (color poems) and listened as the poet described different things that were each color. We then came up with our own color and started a list of things that color. We will use this to help us write our color poems.

### ● Math: Geometry

We continued our geometry lessons this week. We worked with solid figures such as cube, rectangular prism, cylinder, sphere and cone. We also worked on identifying how many faces and vertices these shapes have and took our end of unit assessment.

### ● Science/S.S: Penguins

This week we continued our study of penguins! We used the week to continue to review vocabulary, as well as to do some fun art projects!

## QUESTIONS FOR YOUR CHILD...

1. What is a bird's eye view? Why do you think when people draw maps they use it?
2. What did you do during reading groups this week?
3. What color are you working on for your color poem? What are some ideas of items you have on your web for this color?
4. What are vertices? How many does a triangle have? A cube? A sphere?
5. What is a brood pouch, and how does a penguin use it?
6. How does a penguin feed it's baby before it can swim?

## The Teacher's Scoop:

SICK SICK SICK! That has been the name of the game in this classroom this week. We had 8 students out on Friday alone! Just be aware that the colds and fevers seem to be in full swing in room 48.



## Weekly Words

jelly, belly, bunny, funny, furry, hurry, take, came, world, over

**Bonus words:** above, different, hold, water, years