



# Nest Notes

December 7, 2018

We began to decorate our environment for the winter holidays. As the children came in on Monday, they saw their ornaments hanging from the ceiling by our turtles. Our snowman art also arrived on the shelf with a lesson to start our day. This lesson includes a small, medium, and large circle which the child glues onto his blue paper to make a snowman. He then puts glue onto the snowman and paper to decorate as he creates with gems.

Another more formal art activity we introduced this week is our annual snowflake ornament, which the children began painting. We will continue to complete and seal the creations in the next two weeks, and will send them home as they are finished.



Using a funnel with narrow neck bottles was added to our practical life shelf. The child transfers water from one bottle to the next using the funnel. A sponge is used to clean up any spills. This was a much-loved lesson this week!

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Using a funnel

We cannot create observers by saying 'observe', but by giving them the power and the means for this observation and these means are procured through education of the senses.

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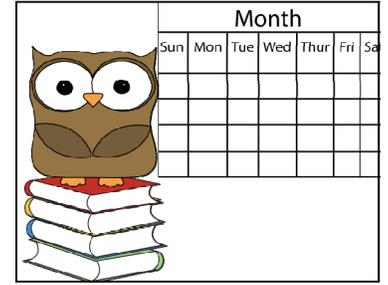


Making a snowman



## Dates to Remember

December 12-14. E1 is hosting their Annual Holiday Gift Shop. Parents looking for more volunteer hours can find them here as E1 will be in need of parents willing to wrap presents sold at the gift shop. Please let me know if you are interested, and I can find out what time slots are available.



The Holiday Gift Shop a time for the children to shop for gifts on their own for their family. If you wish for your child to participate, we will help them pick gifts for the people on your list. Please look for the Holiday Gift envelopes which will be coming home soon in your communications envelope.

December 18 - There will be an Elementary 2 Plant and Gift Sale at 3:00

December 21 - This will be our last day before break, and our day of celebration. Our classroom tradition is to make and decorate dipped pretzel sticks. We will need parent/grandparent volunteers to help work in the kitchen with the children from 8:45-11:00. Our entire school will be dismissed at 12:30.

January 7 - Registration will open for current families.

January 12 -The Positive Discipline for Parents of Young Children Saturday workshop will be held from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Have a wonderful weekend!  
Christine and Rosa



Sponge transfer



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Never help a child with a task at which he feels he can succeed.

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