



## Weekly Preschool Newsletter January 23rd 2012

### Hello Families,

This coming week, January 23rd, we will be exploring shadows with the children. This enables the children to become engaged in activities to understand the changes in the season as well as recognizing changes.

We will be taking walks to observe how our shadow moves from side to side and front to back depending on where the sun is.

We will also begin to celebrate African American history month. We have a field trip to the Museum of African Art in D.C.

### WEDNESDAY Share Day Information

Bring in a flash light!!

### Upcoming News and Events:

Field Trip on February 7<sup>th</sup> to the Museum of African Art.

### Curriculum Corner

This past week, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, we explored Chinese New Year and hibernation. The children welcomed the New Year by wearing red and creating paper cuttings using red paper. Cutting paper helps to refine the children's fine motor skills and hand eye coordination.

The children also explored bears; we tried to match five bears with their pictures. This helps the children to recognize differences, patterns and spatial relationships.

The children also enhanced their counting skills when they placed their "lucky" money into numbered red envelopes.



We decorated Dramatic Play and celebrated Chinese New Year.