



# Kindergarten Family Newsletter

**Mission:** Elk Meadows Falcons are growing to be resilient, lifelong learners.

**Social Skills:** I can share my feelings with "I feel statements"

**Date:** January 8, 2024

## Grade-Level Events

- January 12: End of Quarter 2
- January 15: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - NO SCHOOL
- January 16: Grade Transmittal Day - NO SCHOOL
- February 1: Falcon Fun Day (PTA Fundraiser)

### Math

Focus: I can solve addition and subtraction equations

Example: Help your child write out simple math equations and solve them. In class we have learned to follow 4 steps to solve equations.

1. Look at the first number and draw circles
2. Look at the sign is it + or -
3. Think about what the sign means (should I draw more circles or cross some out?)
4. Count the number of circles left and write the answer

### Language Arts

Focus: I can read and write heart (sight) words

Example: Keep practicing heart (sight) words at home. These words are important in helping your child learn to read. Remember when your child has mastered a set of words, bring them back to school to earn their ice cream scoop. Help your child practice spelling/writing the sight words too. This is very helpful when they write at school.

\*Our goal is to know the first 20 words by mid January (end of quarter 2).

\*\*Read with your child daily\*\*

### Science

Focus: We are learning about penguins and Antarctica. We will also begin our unit on wood.

Example: See how many different types of wood you see around your house.

### Social Studies

Focus: I can share my feelings using "I feel statements"

Example: It is important for children learn to recognize and name their feelings. You can help your child talk about how they are feeling and name the feeling.

## Family Connection/Additional Information

Happy New Year! Welcome back to school! We hope you had a wonderful break and enjoyed time with family and friends. We are so excited to be back to school and ready to learn.

\*\*Don't forget to send your child with warm winter gear. We will be outside before school and at recess.