



## News From Room 10- January 8, 2010

Dear Parents,

Happy New Year! I hope that you all had a very good vacation. The children came back to school ready to learn. We have been having fun learning about animals that live in the zoo. We did many sorting animal activities and animal puzzles. The class built a zoo in the block center. We will continue to learn about animals next week. The letter for next week will be letter "B" and the word will be "is".

The end of the second quarter is approaching. I will be doing many different assessments to measure the progress your child has made this quarter. The report cards will come home the last week of the month. Please make sure that your child is well rested. This week we played many games in math. The games were good practice for number recognition, number writing, and counting. We played go fish for numbers.

We listened to rhyming stories and played rhyming bingo. We continue to listen to Jan Brett stories. She has a very good web site [www.janbrett.com](http://www.janbrett.com). The children are learning a lot about her style of writing and illustrating. She has many good activities on her site.

Please have your child practice zipping their own winter jackets. Also it would be very helpful if they learned to tie their own shoes. When we come in from recess they all want me to help tie their shoes. This is quite a process. I can not continue to tie everyone's shoes. It just takes too long. I really appreciate your help with this problem.

The helpers next week are as follows:

Monday: Danielle

Tuesday: Dylan

Wednesday: Austin

Thursday: Gabrielle

Thank you for continuing to read and practice with your child at home.

Have a great week end!

Mrs. Perkins