

**From the Pen of Parker**  
Monday, January 9, 2012.

Welcome back! A new year and lots of new things to look forward to. This month we will really get into the nuts and bolts of our Matter unit. We will learn to make meaningful connections when we read and listen to stories, and we will write our first narratives (story). In math we will begin 2 d and 3 d geometry which is always a favourite.

Here are the concepts for the month of January:

**Language**

- reading: making good connections
- writing: narratives (description, sentence fluency and voice)
- oral: clarity and coherence (demonstrate understanding)

**Math**

- finish up addition and subtraction
- 2 & 3 d geometry

**Science**

- exploring states of matter (solid, liquids, and gases)

**Social Studies**

Presentation of "I Can Make a Difference" projects (Jan. 27)

**Music**

- explore and create rhythm patterns and sound scapes

**Art**

- 3-d art (instruments, snow sculptures)

**Dates to Remember**

Monday's Skating

Jan. 20 Public Library and Art Gallery

Jan. 26 Terrific Kids (integrity)

Jan. 27 I Can Make a Difference Presentations

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