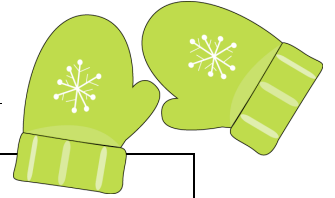


## 1L's Weekly News - Week of January 18<sup>th</sup>



### Dates to Remember:

\* We are continuing to accept donations for Hoops for Heart to benefit the American Heart Association. The students are really motivated to help others with their donations, and are learning lots of great heart facts from Mr. Gelsi! Last day for donations will be January 28<sup>th</sup>.

### Reader's Workshop:

This week in Reader's Workshop we will continue our practice with retelling. Students are working on verbal and written retelling of their "just right" books.

### Writer's Workshop:

Our writers are doing a great job with their opinion writing. This week we'll focus on ending punctuation (periods, exclamation points, and question marks). We'll also practice interviewing "experts" (other 1L writers) to gather more evidence to try and persuade others.

### Math:

\* In Math this week we'll begin to learn about **fractions**. We'll learn about equal parts of a whole and talk about new vocabulary words: *numerator* and *denominator*.

### Word Work: *Continuation of last week's work*

\* Our new Word Wall Words are: **because, from, play, where, with.**

\* We'll also continue our focus on **blends** and **digraphs** this week.

### Science/Social Studies:

We're continuing our Living Things unit of study. Last week during Tech Time our scientists each began the process of choosing an animal to research.

### Odds and Ends:

\* Now that the colder weather is upon us, please remember to send your child in with winter weather wear including gloves and hats. Students participate in outdoor recess as often as possible.

\* Please remember that library books should be returned to school on or before "C" days. (Unless, of course, your reader is not finished with them!) That way, your child can check out new books for the week. Thanks!