Week of January 07 – January 11

Grade	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
K	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 1	Day 2
	January 7	January 8	January 9	January 10	January 11
Homework	KL –High Frequency Word – *am*, Read 10-15 Minutes- Include Pre-Decodable Books KH- same as above	KL - Mathematics Practice, Read 10-15 Minutes -Include Pre-Decodable Books KH- same as above	KL – Letter Sound *Hh*, Read 10-15 Minutes- Include Pre-Decodable Books KH- same as above	KL – Review Short /a/ Sound, Read 10-15 Minutes Include Pre- Decodable Books KH- same as above	KL- Read for fun and pure enjoyment! KH – have a great weekend reading favorite books and practicing with those numbers :)
Specials	KL – Computer Buddies KH – None	KL – Music KH – P.E. [Please remember your sneakers!]	KL-Library (Books Due) KH- Art	KL-Art KH - Music	KL-P.E. –Wear Sneakers KH – Library [Please remember your books!]

Overview

KL/KH –
Please practice the following Letter Chants:
Munching, monkey, munching monkey /m/ /m/ /m/
Sizzling sausage, sizzling sausage /s/ /s/ /s/
Dancing dino, dancing dino /d/ /d/ /d/
Popping popcorn, popping popcorn /p/ /p/ /p/
Calling lamb, calling lamb /a/ /a/ /a/ - Short /a/ (As in the word *sat*.)

We will begin a new theme this week, *By The Sea.* The purpose of this unit is to help students discuss and investigate oceans and the life in and around them. The non-fiction readings will help students discover many facts.

With your child, talk about what they know about the ocean and the seashore. Encourage them to talk about creatures, fish, plants, birds, shells anything else they know from personal experience or reading. If your child has a question-*how, when, where, and why*, please write it down and send it to school for us to research. As the unit progresses, we will write down ideas and new learning.

Math: During the month of January, the children will begin to use addition to solve number sentences. They will also practice rote counting to 50.

High Frequency Words: *a, the, and, go, had, he, I, see, has, you, we, of, in, am*….practice, practice, practice…please!

KH- All my best to each of you for a wonderful New Year of learning here at Murphy School! I am grateful to see all of your children returning ready to learn and showing, many of them, that they practiced their math and reading fluency skills over the long winter break. Please continue to work with them, as you have, and challenge their levels of understanding using our suggested websites below for math, reading and writing. Thank you for all you do to support your child's education. I look forward to the remainder of their kindergarten year as they prepare for their year ahead. As always, please feel free to contact me by e-mail with any questions/concerns. Have a great wintry week :)

KL – Fluency, fluency, fluency. Thank you for all the work you do to support your child's reading of the Decodable books. Practice, practice, practice–it is essential. Have a wonderful week!

At any time, you may go on-line and order @ www.scholastic.com/bookclubs using my **Activation Code is HCC98.**

Dates to Remember

- **1/14 PTO Meeting @ 6:00**
- **1/18 Early Dismissal @ 12:30 – (Only PM Kindergartners Attend School, 8:40-12:30)**
- **1/21 MLK Day, No School**
- **1/22 Kindergarten Report Cards Issued**

Websites for at-home use

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Imagine It: http://www.sraimagineit.com
IXL Math Practice: www.ixl.com
Letter Practice: www.starfall.com

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Thanks for reading this week's digital backpack. Please have your child bring in the number 5. It can be written on a piece of scrap paper, typed, cut from a newspaper/magazine. It doesn't matter any number 5 will get your child a ROCK ticket for this week.