

Dear Families,

After an unexpected week off from school, we had our second week of our Pets study. We talked about what we can do to care for animals, and we learned about how to manage disappointment during Second Step.

What did we work on this week?

Our class read The Pets We Love and Some Pets this week. During Second Step, we learned about how to manage disappointment. We now have a rabbit habitat set up in our sensory table with shredded paper, plastic food, and rabbit supplies. Each day we talked about words that start with our letter of the week (N), how to write the letter in both uppercase and lowercase, and what sounds it makes. At the science table, we have a feely box with a variety of items of different textures for students to make predictions. We painted created furry cat paintings and stamped animal tracks at the art table. At small group we completed our second journal page, "If I could have any animal as a pet it would be...". We also had our class photos taken!

What will we do next week?

- Start our Friendship Study!
- Talk about managing anger during Second Step
- Letter of the week: M
- Create friendship bags and a friendship color-mixing collage
- Practice filling in rhyming words using nursery rhymes
- Play games to reinforce alphabet letter sound knowledge

Reminders:

- **Please be sure to check our school district website for school updates regarding cancellations due to weather conditions. This information can be found at <https://www.ahschools.us/>.**
- **We will NOT have school on February 18th & 19th due to Presidents' Day and Staff Development.**