

# BLUE GROUP NEWS

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## LANGUAGE ARTS

- Fat pushed air sound /j/
- Smile sound /e/
- Sight words: was, said, of
- Writer's Workshop: using story maps to develop and write the beginning, middle, and end of stories, creating covers and about the author pages, sharing work
- Review of short vowels and ending sounds
- Reading aloud poems by Shel Silverstein

## MATH

- Developing language to describe and compare 2-D and 3-D shapes and their attributes (circle, rectangle, triangle, square, hexagon, trapezoid, diamond / rhombus, oval)
- Constructing 2-D and 3-D shapes
- Finding combinations of shapes that fill an area (e.g., 2 trapezoids make a hexagon)
- 100th Day of School and related activities

## SOCIAL

- The girls wrote about what love means to them after reading *And Tango Makes Three* and engaging in a great discussion about different families.
- The girls learned about classroom tools and strategies to help their engines run "just right." We read a great book about listening with your whole body and have worked hard on these skills in class.

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- The girls loved passing out and receiving valentine's and decorating cookies. A big thank you to Jonas for baking and helping out in class!
- We had lots of fun celebrating the 100th day of school! The 100 piece sculptures were amazing!
- The girls made new "black and white" self-portraits with their grandparents and special friends. Come in and see them!
- We saw some innovative inventions by 3rd and 4th graders at the Invention Convention. The girls enjoyed asking questions and talking with the inventors to learn more about their creations.
- We had a great International Women's Day assembly. The girls had fun watching a female circus troupe and were inspired by a Q&A session with Olympic swimmer, Natalie Coughlin.

