



Greetings Matisse Class!

It is hard to believe we are already in the midst of the Holiday season! As we give thanks for our families and friends there is still so much learning going on. We have just begun our studies about Europe. We will look at the different countries and cultures of Europe until Winter Break. In learning about Europe and its surrounding oceans, we will study fish and the ocean biome. The children will have the opportunity to learn about the parts of the fish and the main types of fish that we find in various locations around the globe.

To accompany our studies of Europe, we had Mr. Daly and his niece Kayla coming in the on Tuesday, November 22 to teach us about Ireland. We will spend the day on Ireland, tasting food, learning about the culture, and best of all, learning how to Irish dance! We can't wait to see the beautiful costumes and hear the wonderful music!

Don't forget to RSVP to the office about the Holiday Festivities Around the World! This is a new event here at the school happening on December 9<sup>th</sup>, from 5:30-7:30 PM. We will have so much fun as we travel to India, Russia, and Latin America and learn about their holiday traditions, taste their delicious food, and make some crafts. We hope to see you there!

In the Matisse class we are focusing on being kind towards others and thankful for the things we do to help one another. You will be seeing thank you letters coming home that the children have written on their own, as well as kindness stars that the children write to one another. It is so important that we recognize all the kind things we do for one another!

A huge thank you goes out to everyone in the Matisse class for being so supportive to Mrs. Wilson during her maternity leave. Mrs. Wilson: "Thank you so much everyone! The transition leaving and returning to the classroom has been very smooth for the children and the teachers. I absolutely love Baby Michael's onesy! It put a smile on my face to read all of the children's names on it. The gifts were fantastic and I cannot be more appreciative of you all! Thank you for all your support and well wishes!

Sincerely,

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