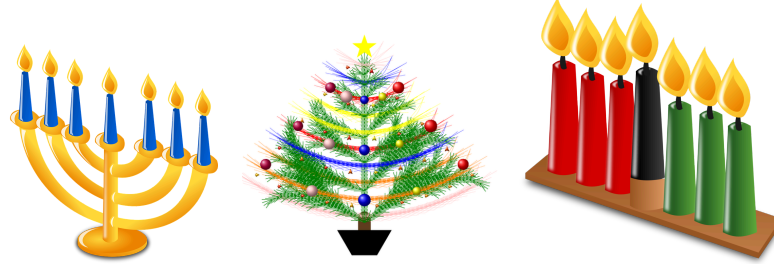


December 2024 Calendar

Learning Domain	Curriculum Subject	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
History Social Science	Hanukkah	2 Make a Menorah	3 Play dreidel game	4 Star of David	5 Hanukkah bingo game	6 Cooking: make a fried treat
History Social Science	Christmas	9 Christmas tree craft	10 Holiday ornament	11 Holiday wreath	12 Gingerbread person	13 Reindeer craft
History Social Science	Kwanzaa	16 Kwanzaa craft with black, red, & green colors 4 pm Holiday Performances	17 Make a Kinara	18 Unity cup	19 Kente designs	20 Kwanzaa decoration Pajama Day!
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Happy Holidays Skyline Families & Friends! This month we will be recognizing and learning about the celebrations of Hanukkah, Christmas, and Kwanzaa.

Hanukkah also known as the “Festival of Lights” is the Jewish holiday that celebrates the miracle of the Maccabees, during which a single lantern of oil lasted eight days and nights when it should have lasted only one. Hanukkah can be celebrated by lighting the Menorah, eating fried foods, spinning the dreidel, singing songs, and giving away symbolic gold coins called gelt.

The second week we will focus the curriculum on Christmas. Christmas is when Christians commemorate the birth of Jesus Christ. During this festival people often attend church to celebrate, gather with family and friends for special meals, and exchange gifts with one another.

The last week before the Winter break will celebrate Kwanzaa. This holiday honors the African heritage in African American unity and culture and it lasts for one week. Kwanzaa has seven core principles:

Umoja (unity), Kujichagulia (Self-Determination), Ujima (Collective Work & Responsibility), Ujamaa (Cooperative Economics), Nia (Purpose), Kuumba (Creativity), and Imani (Faith). Symbols associated with Kwanzaa are the kinara (candle holder), unity cup, and corn. The colors black, green, and red represent the African flag, books, and artwork.

REMINDERS/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **We are CLOSED for Winter break 12/23/24 and reopen 1/6/2025.**
- **Holiday Performances are in separate pods at 4 pm on December 19th.** Guppies-Playground, Starfish-Gazebo, and Sharks-Meditation labyrinth. The Bake Sale Fundraiser will take place after in the Upper parking lot. Please join in the festivities.