# WHAT'S "QUACKING" IN THE DUCKLING CLASS FOR JANUARY

# Letters of the Month

ABGDE FGHIJ KLMNO PQRST UVWXYZ

Uu, Cc, Oo, Qq

We will continue introducing the letters using the Handwriting Without Tears Method. The children will continue to work on the workbook pages and make doorknob hangers to bring home.



# Nursery Rhyme of The Month

"Hey Diddle Diddle"

Shape of the Month

Square





# Cutting Skills

The children will begin cutting simple shapes using their helping hand.



#### New Word of the Month

Fiddle: A violin, especially used to play folk music



### Sequencing

The children will be introduced to sequencing. They will be given 3 pictures and will have to put them in order from beginning to end.

# Story of the Month

"Footprints in the Snow"





#### The New Year!



The teacher and children will talk about the New Year starting. The children will practice saying that our New Year is 2021. They will discuss the different ways in which people celebrate the coming of the New Year with noisemakers. The children have been working in class before the winter break to cut pieces of confetti. With the confetti in hand the children will count backwards 10...9...8...7...6...5...4...3...2...1... and yell "Happy New Year!" then throw the confetti in the air and shake their noisemakers!

We will also talk about New Year Resolutions in class. Each age group focuses on a specific age-appropriate skill they wish to master. The Ducklings will be working on putting their coats on independently. We use the preschool method of "flip flop over the top" where the children put the coat on the floor in front of them, place their hands in the arm openings, and flip it over their heads. Once this goal is achieved the teacher will send the student home with a certificate!

#### Science: Fun with Water!

The children will perform lots of fun science experiments using water that will teach the children about evaporation, absorption, and the different states of water. We will develop their skills of making predictions as well as creative thinking by allowing the children to investigate and test ideas of their own.

