Mrs. Schanen's Monthly Newsletter December 2019

Reading

This month we will be doing a study with nonfiction books on reindeer. We will also compare and contrast different Gingerbread stories. You can decorate the Gingerbread person that was sent home. Have fun being creative! Please send it back as soon as you finish.

Phonics

Here are the letters and sight words we will focus on in phonics:

Dec 2-6: P play Dec 9-13: O he Dec 16-20: C she

Writing

Students should be writing their stories using a capital letter, period, spaces, and at least getting the first sound of each word. Now we are focusing on getting the end sound of each word. So for example, if they are writing the word "friends" I would expect them to write "fs." We will also learn about adding a "when" in their sentence.

Math

Unit 2 in math includes the kids making and extending patterns, using 5 groups, and working with numbers 6-10.

Toy Drive

Red Oak is having a toy drive to help children in need. Please consider donating by bringing in a **new**, **unwrapped** toy.

Book checkout

Is on **Cycle days 1, 5, and 8**. So make sure students bring back their book in order to get a new one. Students can return their books early if they are finished with them.

Recess

The students will go outside for recess unless the temperature and wind chill are below zero. Please make sure to send your child with *labeled* warm clothes, including a hat, gloves, coat, snow pants, and boots.

Winter Party

On December 20, we will be having a winter party. It will take place from 2:30-3:30 and all parents are invited to join. A separate flyer will go home with more information.

Dates to Remember:

December 13 Black and White Day December 20 Winter Party 2:00-3:15 December 23-January 1 No School

Star of the Week

We will start having a student be Star of the Week. I will send the bag, poster, and information page home the Friday before your child is the star of the week. They should fill out the poster and bring it back along with their favorite toy and book in the bag. All items will be returned by the end of the week. Here is an approximate schedule that may change. ©

December 2-6	Gavin
December 9-13	Lily
December 16-20	Azmiik
January 6-10	Maci
January 13-17	Ulises
January 27-31	Camila
February 3-7	Quinn
February 10-14	Preslie
February 17-21	Carly
February 24-28	Karson
March 2-6	Jamai
March 9-13	Preston
March 16-20	Juliette
March 23-27	Aa'Nijah
April 6-10	Almir
April 13-17	Lana
April 20-24	Ridha
April 27-30	Sharif
May 4-8	Keilyn