



# December 1st / 2nd News

## Important Dates

- 12/14-Early Release 1pm
- 12/17-Vision Screening
- 12/24-1/1-NO SCHOOL Winter Break
- 1/2-Classes Resume

## Extra Information

- Looking for parent volunteers during the times of 8:30-10:30 am and 1:45-2:45 pm. Make sure you have a background check on file! Contact your child's teacher if you are interested in volunteering.
- As a reminder, please do not send any food items in for birthday celebrations. You can send in pencils, erasers, bookmarks, class game, class book, etc. or we can have extra recess or free choice.

## A Peek At What We Are Learning

### Reading

This month we have been learning about nonfiction text features and how to tell the difference between a fictional and nonfiction book. We are also continuing to grow in our reading levels and how to read to gain new information.

### Writing

We are learning how to write nonfiction research books with a partner. Students chose a topic and are creating a nonfiction book based on the research they collected from online resources together.

### Phonics

We have been growing in our knowledge of snap words through many different activities and games. Students even created their own snap word game boards!

### Math

1<sup>st</sup> grade: We have been focusing on adding and subtracting within 10 and making it automatic. We have also been practicing doubles plus or minus one (if  $7+7=14$  then  $7+8=15$ ) as well as evens and odds.

2<sup>nd</sup> grade: Students are adding and subtracting double digit numbers in story problems using a variety of strategies including an open number line, sticks and bundles, and presents and parcels.

### Content

We began learning about economics and the importance of saving vs. spending. They have also learned about needs and wants, goods and services, and consumers and producers. The kids will have an opportunity to create their own business and design a good or service.

## Reminders

- Please check your child's red important folder nightly and send back in backpack daily. Also, with the cold weather approaching, please be sure to send your child with the appropriate clothes, boots, snow pants, jackets, hats, and mittens.