#  DECEMBER NEWS

 **HOLIDAY BREAK: NO SCHOOL DECEMBER 23 –JANUARY 2nd.**

 **CLASSES WILL RESUME ON TUESDAY JANUARY 3RD.**

 **CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 4K-6, DECEMBER 21nd, 1:00 p.m. IN THEATER**

Winter is here! When the snow comes be sure your child has coat, snow pants, boots, hat and mittens. Put your child’s name on all mittens, boots, coats, and snow pants. If I don’t see names on items I will mark items with my silver marker. Children are wearing their boots to school and forgetting to bring along shoes. To make it easier your child may leave their shoes at school during the week. This will eliminate one less thing the children have to remember to pack up. I’ll send the shoes home on Friday. Same goes for snow pants. If you have extra’s at home and would like your child to leave their snow-pants here throughout the week let me know. Please send a note via the daily folder to send me a quick text so I know your wishes.

 If your child does not know how to zip their coat, please practice at home. Children are going outside without coats zipped.

**** If school is delayed or cancelled due to inclement weather check your local radio station or channel 6.

 Remember monthly sight words and newsletters are posted on my web page. I have also posted new pictures…please check out the page I have titled “Our Classroom” on my webpage. To access my web page go to the schools web page and click on directory; click on staff, and click on my name and my page should come up.

Or go to [www.juliebbutler.weebly.com](http://www.juliebbutler.weebly.com)

 **SNACK-**I sent home a reminder about our cracker supply get low about three weeks ago…**if you have not sent in a box of crackers please do so! Your child will thank you.**

We have been in school for three months now and I still have students who forget their names on their papers. Students who forget to put their name on their paper they will have to write it for me five time.

**TAKING CARE OF CHORES** Some students are not taking care of their chores in the morning which means I am not getting their folders. If your child does not receive a Little Red Reader it’s because I did not get their folder in the morning.

 **Christmas Program Wednesday, December 21st at 1:00 pm in the theater.** If you wish to pick up your child after the program feel free to do so. They’ll be in my room.

**CLASSROOM CHRISTMAS PARTY: Thursday, December 22nd.**

 During our Christmas Party we will be exchanging gifts. Girls bring in a gift for a girl and boys bring in a gift for a boy. Be sure to mark the gift **“BOY**” or **“GIRL”**

**and whom the gift is from**. You can send the exchange gifts to school the week of December 19th. Exchange gifts can be $3.00-$5.00 in price. If this is a problem for you, let me know. We will have an ice cream party. I’ll be sending home notices as to who will bring what closer to the date.

 **November 28th-December 2nd “OUR FIVE SENSES”**

 **Take note of the items needed for school this week! I’ll try to send home reminders.**  To add to our learning, on **Tuesday** please send in **something that has texture.** Put the item in the small brown paper bag I have provided. Tell your child not to tell what they brought in! We’ll create a “feely box” by having the other children use their sense of touch to guess what is in the bag.

 **Wednesday it’s smell.** **Send in something we can smell**. If it’s a liquid scent put the scent on a cotton ball and put the cotton ball in a zip lock bag. Mark the scent on the bag just in case I can’t identify it.

**** **Thursday** we will discover our sense of taste and make a tail mix**. Send in a ½ cup of an item your child would like to add to our mix**. Some ideas are cereal, pretzels, chocolate chips, craisins or raisins. We have no allergies that I am aware of. **Friday** we will play with our sense of sound. For show-n-share the children may **bring in an item (toy) that makes a noise.** See how I scheduled our “noise makers” for Friday! Please do not send in anything you value. The children will be playing with it.

 Letter of the week is “Mm.” Sight word is “are.”

**December 5th-9th “Gingerbread, Gingerbread!”**

 This week we will complete our unit of our Five Senses by connecting it to gingerbread. Our literature for the week will focus on gingerbread stories. We’ll be making our own gingerbread house this week.

**** Letter of the week is “Gg”. Sight word is “for.”

**FYI** I will not be in school on Tuesday, December 6th. I’m going to my granddaughter’s Christmas program. If you have a note for the sub be sure it’s visialbe.

**December 12th-16th Reindeer/Christmas**

 This week we will be discussing Christmas and how we prepare for it. We will focus on the gift of giving. Letter of the week is “Rr.” Sight word is “you.”

 **On Friday, December 16th** we are going to have **“Polar Express Day!”** If your child has a bath robe send it to school. It will add to our fun when we create the

Polar Express Train in our room. We’ll go hunting for the first bell of Christmas and end our day by enjoying a candy cane and hot chocolate. We have so much fun in our classroom!

 Letter of the week is “Rr” and high frequency words are “you” and “me.”



**December 19th -22nd** Christmas breaks starts Friday the 23rd.

This week we will finish up anything we did not get to last week. We’ll review our letters. High frequency words for the week are “this” & “that.”

  **Christmas Program in theater, Wednesday the 21st at 1:00!**

 **Thursday** is our Christmas Party and we’ll be exchanging our gifts at 9:30. Be sure your child has their exchange gift here at school by 9:30 on Thursday. Please let me know if you are unable to bring in a gift.

**Math Bench Marks for December are:** Counting forward to 50, Count back from 20, counting by 10’s, understands each “teen” number is 10 + a digit, ordinal numbers up to 10. Be sure to review sight words every night!

From my family to yours, Have a very

Merry Christmas and

A Happy New Year!

 Miss Julie

Happy Birthday to:

![MC900430219[1]]()Jocelynn Peterson

Joshua Mills

& Me! I’m 29….again!