

Important Dates:

- Nov. 27 to Dec. 14 Food and Gift Drive
- Dec. 7 Poinsettia pick up
- Dec. 7-17 Candy canes for sale
- Dec. 13 Christmas concert at 6 pm
- Dec. 17 Christmas/ winter sock day
- Dec. 18 Pajama day
- Dec. 19 Ugly/festive sweater day
- Dec. 19 Christmas/ winter craft
- Dec. 20 Christmas/ winter hat day
- Dec. 21 -Red and green day
- candy grams delivered
- \$1 buy out
- Last Day of classes
- REMEMBER**
- Bring a full water bottle daily and gym clothes (white t-shirt and black shorts and indoor running shoes). Deoderant is also needed!

- Chat with your child and see what supplies need replenishing (calculator, pencils, erasers, etc.)

Dear parents and students:

I want to thank all of the families who took time from their busy schedules to come in to discuss their child's progress. It was so nice to be able to put faces to names, and to reconnect with parents that I've known for years.

The month of December is going to fly by. I am going to do my best to keep some sort of routine in the classroom, even though we have many extra things planned. Please try to do the same at home so that we can 'keep a lid' on the students and their behavior. The expectations remain the same, and I'm finding that I have to be more strict right now in order to keep the students on task. Thanks for your continued support!

A brief curriculum outline:

Language The students are learning how to write a research report, with the focus on turning research jot notes into paragraphs. We will also work on making meaningful connections to what we read, as well as starting some inferring as this connects to reading and interpreting graphs, our current math unit.

Math Our unit for math is creating a variety of graphs, completing surveys, and solving mean, median and mode from sets of data. The students also need to be able to read graphs and be able to make inferences about what the data represents and possible whys. We are continuing with our times and division quizzes and group problem solving, as well as developing our mental math.

Science/Social Studies In Science both grades are working on flight and forces acting on structures. We are enjoying our opportunities with some hands-on learning (making airplanes and bridges to test)!

Health and Phys. Ed. In phys. ed., we are playing scooter board hockey, and then we will play floor hockey. In Health, OPP Officer Rod is discussing a variety of topics like youth and the law, bullying and social media safety and issues.

Visual Arts and Drama The students are working on a song for the concert. We have a few more stories to share, and we will work on some winter art.

Have a great break. The first day of classes in January is the 7th. See you then,

Mrs. Orr