

December 16, 2016

Dear Parents,

One week to go! The kids are certainly getting excited for Christmas! We had a good week here at school and the kids did a lot of writing. I am so proud of how well they did! We worked on persuasive paragraphs and responded to different reading stories.

We only have 4 days of school next week. The program will be on Wednesday at 1:00...students can go home with their parents after the program. Our Christmas party will be on Thursday, the last day before break. School will resume on Tuesday, January 3rd. Please remember to send in a \$3.00 gift for our gift exchange. Boys buy a gift for a boy and girls buy a gift for a girl. If you would like to send in a snack to share on that day that would be great!

Here is a look at the week ahead:

Reading: We will be combining reading with some science by learning about reindeer and their habitats. We will also be writing our Rudolph stories with our 5th grade reading buddies. Since we will be busy with Christmas "stuff", there will not be a new story or new spelling words next week...that also means no spelling test☺

Math: We finished up our chapter on addition strategies and are now learning about subtraction strategies. Also remember that the students can go on frontrowed.com at home and work on individualized math lessons. They are really enjoying working on this site and it is a great way to get some math practice in at home.

We will be going to Maryhill next week to read to the residents. This is such a beneficial experience for both the students and the residents. It was so heart-warming to watch the kids connect with the people they were reading to...everyone really enjoyed it! Thank you for sharing your children!! I hope you have a wonderful weekend! It looks like we might get some snow! I'll see you Monday☺

~Annie