

Puckey's Press

Our Classroom Newsletter

December 4, 2015

Upcoming Events

- **December 10** – December Scholastic order due
- **December 11** – Report Cards come home
- **December 20** – Reindeer Day
- **December 23** – Early Dismissal at 12:15
- **December 24 until January 1**
NO SCHOOL for Winter Break
- **January 4** – School is in-session
- **January 18** – **NO SCHOOL** for Teacher Professional Day
- **January 25** – **NO SCHOOL** for Teacher Professional Day

What We're Learning:

- **Reading/Language Arts** - We continue to work on our sight words, decomposing words to hear sounds, tapping the sounds out, and recording what we hear. We have also been working on retelling the beginning, middle, and end of stories, exclamation sentences, contractions, digraphs (th, sh, ch, wh, ck), words in the -all family, words with s-blends at the beginning, and words with bonus letters. (bonus letters are "f, l, s" and are doubled at the end of MOST words if they follow a short vowel sound).
- **Writing** - We are working on adding introductions and conclusions to our teaching stories. We are working on adding details and teaching tiny steps so our readers know all about our topics.
- **Math** - We have just finished our Unit 3 assessment, which tested our knowledge on adding and skip counting numbers, solving story problems, and finding the "rule" in frames and arrow problems.
- **Science** – We are discussing **living and non-living** things. We are learning about the needs for living things (**air, food, water, shelter, space**).
- **Social Studies** – We compared pilgrims to Native Americans and discussed the first Thanksgiving.

Notes from the Teacher

HAPPY DECEMBER BIRTHDAY TO:

Callie	12/1
Zander	12/17
Alyson	12/20
Cage	12/23

- **December Scholastic Book Orders will be due on December 10.** If you are ordering any books for the upcoming holidays, please let me know and I will gladly send them home wrapped in construction paper or arrange for them to be picked up in the office at your convenience.
- **Reindeer Day**
First grade will be celebrating the winter season with a "Reindeer Day" on **Monday, December 21. Please join us for reindeer crafts, games, and activities from 8:30-10:30!** Please complete the Reindeer Day volunteer form and return it to school so I have an idea of how many helpful hands will be joining us!
- **We are running low on tissues in our classroom!** Please consider donating a box or two as we continue to make it through cold season! Thank you in advance for any donations!

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