

# December 2<sup>nd</sup>

## Grade News



### *What we are learning:*

**Math** We are beginning a new unit in math called Stickers, Number Strings and Story Problems. We will work on solving story problems with more than two numbers. We will also investigate counting by groups of numbers, and identifying even and odd numbers.

**Reading:** We continue to work in small reading groups as we work independently through literacy centers.

Our new reading theme we just finished was Finding Your Way in a New Place. Most of the stories were about family members from different countries like, Mexico, China, Korea, and India who come to visit and how families share the understanding of different cultures and people as they find their way in a new place. We will also read stories that incorporate Christmas traditions from various places.

**Social Studies:** We focused on the long journey on the Mayflower that the pilgrims took and how they had to overcome some very difficult obstacles along the way.

**Science:** We have begun our Science Unit: Science in the Kitchen. We are learning about how everything is made up of matter and all matter is a solid, liquid or gas. We will be making our ice castle in this unit.

**Goals:** As we continue to work on being *Super Improvers*, talk to your child about some personal goals they could possibly work on. They are very good about coming up with some on their own, but input from you might be beneficial to them. Please ask your child what level they are on.

**Homework Reminder:** Thank you so much for encouraging your child to have a special homework routine. I appreciate your help in checking homework and ensuring reading is done every night, and signing the planner.

**School Events:** December

4<sup>th</sup>- Hot Lunch

5<sup>th</sup>-pictures with Santa

11<sup>th</sup>-Hamlin's band performance - Santa's Secret Shop begins

12<sup>th</sup>- All school Field Trip to Moraine Valley

13<sup>th</sup>- Last day of Santa's Secret Shop

18<sup>th</sup>- Principal's Lunch

21<sup>st</sup>- Early dismissal 11:15

24<sup>th</sup>- Winter Break begins - School resumes January 7<sup>th</sup>

Happy Holidays!!

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