Hello!

\*In Math the students started to learn how to divide using partial quotients. (If you are interested there is a PowerPoint on partial quotients on my website on the top right of the Math page.) I know this method seems "weird" to us (adults) but it really does make more sense to most children. They are looking at the whole number instead of individual digits. PLEASE do NOT show them the algorithm (yet). Next week we will continue learning division. I will teach the algorithm as well.

-Please encourage your child to do xtramath 4 times every week.

\*We have had a great week in ELA. We are jamming on our book club books. Some students have finished their first book and have started a second book. Way to go readers. We did a project today where the students had to draw scenes from their book club book, to help explain their book to someone that hasn't read it yet. Please make sure that you remind your child to bring materials back and forth from home and from class to class. Many are forgetting things at home or in their class. This is especially true of the book club books. Grammar went well also. Almost everyone had the packet completed.

\*This week in Science the students learned about the percentage of the water types (fresh water vs salt water) on Earth and landforms. Next week we will continue learning about landforms.

\*In Social Studies we have been slowly moving westward, and into statehood.

\*As part of our giving back to the community, Madison Avenue is collecting nonperishable food items for End 68 Hours of Hunger until December 14th. There are collection boxes in front of the office. For more information go to <u>http://www.end68hoursofhunger.org/find-your-community/ohio/lake-county/</u>

\*4th grade will be taking their Reading MAP Test on Monday, 12/10, and Math MAP on Tuesday, 12/11.

\*Scholastic orders are due Tuesday. Sorry for the quick due date but I am trying to get them delivered before our break in case anyone wants to order something as a gift. The online code is GXJ69.

\*Holiday Shop- Sepelak's class will shop on Wednesday, 12/12, and Kalb's class will shop on Thursday, 12/13.

\*4th grade will be going to Playhouse Square on February 13. The permission slip was sent on Wednesday because we have to have our final numbers and money turned in right after Winter break. The permission slips are due on Wednesday, 12/12.

Upcoming events-Dec. 8 - Boston Market fundraiser Dec. 10 - 4th grade Reading MAP test Dec. 10 - MASCO Meeting at 6:30 pm Dec. 11 - 4th grade Math MAP test Dec. 11 - Scholastic book orders due Dec. 12 - Sepelak's Class Santa Shop 9:55-10: 30 am Dec. 13 - Kalb's Class Santa Shop 1:30-2:05pm Dec. 15 - Halls of Holly at RHS 12 - 2 pm

Next week-Monday- Day 6 Tuesday- Day 1 Wednesday- Day 2 Thursday- Day 3 Friday- Day 4

Thanks for all you do! Please contact us with any questions or concerns. Have a great weekend! Adam Kalb & Stacy Sepelak