



MS. BROZIC

1ST GRADE

December 4, 2015

- Wed. Dec. 16- All books for the class book exchange are due
- Thurs. Dec. 17- Class Book Exchange
- Thurs. Dec. 17- Polar Express Day!!!!
- Friday, Dec. 18- Winter Party
- School is closed for Winter Break until Tuesday, January 5. (Jan. 4 is a work day for teachers).
- **Please send in any gloves, mittens, hats, underwear, and socks for our Warm Hands in Friendship drive.

Classroom News



Dear first grade families,

I cannot believe how fast time is flying by!!! We only have a few more days until break! (We are lucky to be out on Friday. I know many districts that go until Dec. 23!!) Over break, I am not going to be sending home any homework. I would like your child to review telling time to the hour (on a conventional clock) and identifying coins. We have been practicing this with our Calendar, but these are skills that may take awhile to master! I also just want the kids to READ, READ, READ!!! If they keep reading over break, you will be AMAZED by how their reading takes off in January!!

The students have been working so hard! We just took our reading MAP (computer) test today. Many of the students have improved their reading so much since the beginning of the year! All of the reading and working on sight words at home really helps!! Thanks so much for the support at home!

Just as a reminder please have your child try to bring in a book for another student (\$5 or less) by Wednesday. Girls will get a book for another girl and boys will get a book for another boy in the class. Please wrap the books and attach a gift label. If your child is a girl the label could say, To: A Girl From: Your child's name. If your child is a boy the label could say To: A Boy, From: Your Child's Name. We have already had some generous people donate an extra book so that everyone can have a book to read over break!

Birthdays

- Sam- December 4
- Steven- Dec. 10
- Matteo and Cienna- Dec. 23



Phonics Focus this week is on all of the glued sounds that have –all, ing, ong, ang, ung, ink, onk, ank, unk in them. It is so fun to see the students find a word in their reading that has a glued sound and be able to tap it out!!!

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Lunch Menu

*Lunch choices are subject to change.

Monday: Chicken Fingers

Tuesday: You Build It Hot Dog

Wednesday: French Toast Sticks

Thursday- Mac and Cheese

Friday- Kid's Choice



Student of the Week

Steven Rocha

Skippy Friend:

Gavin McKnight



What We're Learning

Reading: We are now working on sight words for lists 5 and 6. Students will be tested on these words early in January. They should just be able to read these words by sight: some, her, would, make, like, him, into, time, has, look, two, more, write, go, see, number, no, way, could, people.

Grammar: We have just started talking about verbs. We will be doing much more with this when we return from break. When they are reading and they read an action verb, just point it out to them!! This will help greatly!

Phonics/Word Study: We are continuing our study of glued sounds. This week we will have a dictation test that reviews all of the -ng and -nk glued sounds.

Math- We are working hard in math with addition and subtraction story problems. We are learning the RDW method of solving story problems (R=read, D=draw,label, W=Write a number sentence and statement to match the story). We are taking a district assessment and a Eureka unit assessment before break.

S.S- We have been learning about different countries around the world and how they celebrate Christmas. We are comparing and contrasting how we celebrate in the U.S. to how others celebrate in different countries.



Word Study words : think, junk, sank, banks, dunks, link, thank, pink, bunk, chunk, honk, one, or, wings, song, thing, what, rang, kings, lungs, long, bang, fangs, put, were, stung.

**We will have a dictation test on these Friday, December 18 (first thing before the excitement begins!)