

- **Library/Bookmobile:** Bookmobile books are due this Thursday.
- **Character Education:** This month's assembly will be on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 8am.
- **Christmas Break:** There will be no school from Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will return to school on Wednesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>.
- **DIBELS:** We will be taking the next DIBELS Benchmark in January, right after Christmas break. Please make sure your child reads every day over break.
- **Christmas Party:** We will be having our holiday party on December 16<sup>th</sup>. The Party will start around 2:15p.m. I encourage you all to come. Your child will be teaching you how to make a gingerbread house! ☺
- **Santa's Workshop:** We will be visiting Santa's Workshop on Tuesday to make our wish lists. We will return on Thursday to make our purchases.

**This week in:**

- **Math:** We will be identifying fractional parts of a whole; graphing tags on a bar graph; writing observations about a graph; and measuring and drawing line segments to the nearest centimeter.
- **Spelling:** Please see the spelling test schedule for a list of the spelling words being tested each day.
- **Writing:** We will continue discussing the five parts of a sentence and learning about nouns, verbs, and adverbs. We will classify sentences by labeling the subject nouns (SN), the verbs (V), and the adverbs (Adv). We will have a writing assessment this week. We will also write letters back to the middle-schoolers who sent us letters. Journal writing will continue as usual.
- **Science:** We will finish our "Human Body" unit this week. The Human Body test will be Tuesday. Then we will learn about Edward Jenner and Louis Pasteur.
- **Social Studies:** We will continue our "From Colonies to Independence" unit. This week we will review the 13 colonies. Then we will learn about the Boston Tea Party; the colonies beginning to unite; and Paul Revere. (We did not get through most of our history plans from last week.)
- **Character Education:** This month's trait is "This is it!" We will discuss this character trait throughout the month.
- **Computers:** This week, students will get to choose whether they want to work in Active Inspire, Microsoft Word, Starfall, or Storyline.
- **Poem:** We will read and recite "Sing a Song of People".

Sincerely,

Mrs. Cain