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Math: This week we reviewed concepts that were giving the students trouble as well as working through Investigation four. The concepts covered included; decimal numbers, using a calculator, naming and writing decimal numbers, and comparing decimal numbers. Please be practicing multiplication facts at home nightly. We will be learning how to multiply three digit numbers by one and two digits as well as learning long division. Having a solid base on the facts is critical to the success of these concepts.

Science: The science tests were good. We are beginning our next unit on Classifying Living Things. We are learned about the five kingdoms. Our main focus will be on animals and plants. Before our Winter Break, we will dissect a Gummy Worm and have a special treat!

Social Studies: We will assess the students on the concepts they have learned by doing a performance assessment in class. There will not be a study guide for this assessment.

December Birthdays

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Holiday project: The students will need to bring in a gently used hat that would cover a large coffee can for a special holiday project. The hats can be reused after the project is taken home. Please start sending those hats in with your child by next week. Hats can be stocking hats (they work best), baseball style hats, etc. The hats should match your child's personality.

Tigger Folders: We have noticed that the students Tigger Folders are starting to fall apart. I would encourage you to replace the folders with a Trapper Keeper type binder. We think that maybe those binders will hold together better than a three ring binder. We would like all folders to be replaced by January, after our Holiday Break. Thank you!!

Character Counts: The pillar of character we are working on now is caring. As a school community we are demonstrating our caring by collecting food items to send over to our U.S. troops. We will begin collecting these items next week and will continue **to collect until**

December 13th. I have prepared a list of items that third and fourth graders will be collecting.

Pre-sweetened powdered drink mixes
Canned or dried fruit
Tuna and chicken in cans or pouches
Beef jerky
Single servings of cereal
Instant coffee
Tea bags
Microwave popcorn
Sardines
Crackers

Spices
Hard candy
Gum
Soup
Nuts
Sunflower seeds
Single servings of chips
Instant oatmeal
Granola bars

Dates to Remember

December 12 Early dismissalal 11:30am.
 Market Day pickup

December 13 * Character Counts Breakfast – 7:30
 Miss Wood’s last day and party

December 17 School Board Meeting

December 18 4th grade to Opera House at 9:00 am

Dec. 20 – Jan. 2 Winter Break

January 3 School resumes

January 11 End of 2nd quarter and 1st semester

January 15 Opera House – 4th grade at 10:30

January 24 STARR Reader testing

January 25 No School – Teacher In-service

January 28 SEF meeting at HS conference room (6:30)

January 30 Market Day pickup

Have a great weekend
Nina Pevonka

12-10-07 Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Peaches Bread & Butter	12-11-07 Hamburger/Cheese Burger on Bun Corn Orange Wedges Pretzels	12-12-07 Early Out No hot lunch	12-13-07 Corn Dog Baked Beans Pineapple Bread & Butter	12-14-07 Cheese Pizza Applesauce Peas Peanut Butter Cookie
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