

## Katzenmeier Weekly Newsletter

December 2-6

Tis' the season for learning and hibernating! We will talk more about this animal adaptation.

### Language Arts Learning Goals:

Big Idea: "Why do people get involved in their community?"

Amazing Words: community, service, citizen, responsibility, neighborhood, volunteer, respect, vote, honest

\*Heart words: right, down, some, where, there, be, it's for, them, onto, their, they're, they, going, put, out, way, they'll, with, we, have, of, friend, go, what

\*decode words with ending blends as in last, pump, send, lift, etc

\*state the main idea and details of a nonfiction text

\*listen to and read nonfiction information

\*ask and answer questions about a nonfiction text

\*comprehension: take notes from a nonfiction text

\*use text features to better understand an informational text

\*retell a story in sequence using character, setting, events and plot

\*review the difference between fact and opinion

\*collect facts for animal report

\*begin informational writing

### Math Learning Goals:

\*math fact fluency

\*solve problems with unknowns in all positions

\*see teen numbers as a ten and extra ones

\*recognize and name all teen numbers

\*see addition and subtraction as related functions

\*add within 20

\*use the counting on method to add and subtract

### Science/Health Learning Goals:

\*review hibernation as an animal adaptation and as part of the patterns in nature

\*gather information about a particular animal

### **Our Week:**

**Monday:** Library/Music/Counselor/Homework: read for 20 minutes

**Tuesday:** Gym/ Homework: math facts to 20 or write 5 facts about your animal

**Wednesday:** Gym/Homework: read "Scholastic News" to family

**Thursday:** Art/Homework: hibernate with a good book!

**Friday:** Assembly/Art/Homework: Have a good weekend!

We could use more class snacks, please.

Things to work on=Your kids talk too much! Foul language and gestures are not appropriate for first graders, especially in school. Please let them know that school is a place of work and study and they need to respect that environment.

We will be taking our mid-year Fastbridge testing. Cheer your students on to do their best! A good night's rest and healthy breakfast will help a lot!

happy  
December

