

December.. News

MS. Good – Grade 1

It's an exciting month in Grade 1. Students are busy practicing for the Christmas concert and getting excited for the winter holiday. Please take a minute to read and see what is happening this month in our room. Have a safe and healthy holiday season!

Math

We will continue to practice counting in different ways, with lots of practice counting backwards. This is a tricky skill. At home, have students create a 100s chart, or a number line (0-100) to help them see the jumps and patterns when skip counting. We will also be practicing our adding and subtracting strategies. BAZINGA is a great way to practice facts to 12. When playing, adding the dice, don't count the dots!

Language

We have been working on writing letters and students have been doing a good job remembering to include the opening and closing of the letter. We are trying to write a variety of sentence types in our letters – both questions and statements. At home, encourage them to write letters to people giving them a compliment, or wishing them a happy holiday.

We are continuing to work on stretching out all the sounds in words. Blends are tricky, because they don't sound like separate sounds. Find words like this in stories you are reading and practice stretching out the sounds.

Keep up the nightly reading at home! It really makes a difference ☺



The Arts

We are having fun exploring different types of songs and changing up the dynamics and tempo.

We are also rehearsing most days for the Christmas concert. Mark your calendars – it is December 20th @ 6:30p.m. Dress rehearsal is at 11:45 a.m.



Odds & Ends

- ✓ Please make sure your student has a hat and mittens each day. They spend 60 minutes outside, and it is a lot more enjoyable when they are dressed appropriately.
- ✓ Follow us on Twitter: @grade1_tces
- ✓ Students have access to RAZ Kids at home. www.kidsa-z.com
Teacher Username: mshirton
- ✓ December 8th – Scholastic Due
- ✓ December 11th – 2pm Assembly
- ✓ December 20th – Christmas Concert & Dress Rehearsal
- ✓ January 8th – first day back