

# Kindergarten News

November 30, 2020

## Special Points of Interest:

- **Dec. 11**  
Christmas  
Movie Day  
(more info soon)
- **Dec. 18**  
Christmas Party  
and  
Early Release
- **Dec. 21-Jan.4**  
Christmas  
Holidays
- **Jan. 5**  
Students  
return to  
school

I have added new sight words to our list. You will find our list on the back of this page. I will not add any new words to our list, until after Christmas. Please help your child practice these words. Start with a few and add one or two until your child is successful.

I hope you and your family had a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Thank you all for such a smooth and quick transition when our school made the decision to instruct students virtually.

I am so proud of how fast our Kindergarten students adjusted.

I hope and pray we can finish the school year by teaching and learning in our school.

To keep us familiar with Seesaw, I will continue to post an activity each Monday. I encourage you to let your child work on Lexia and IXL at home too. In our classroom we have been having trouble with Lexia loading, which becomes frustrating for our students. Therefore, in our classroom we use IXL more often than Lexia. Lexia is a great phonics program. We are very fortunate that our school has made these programs available for students to use at home. I encourage you to let your child work on these programs a few times each week, on their own device from home. This is not a requirement, just a suggestion.

I am going to start using our class Dojo app to send positive comments to you about your child's behavior throughout the day and week. I have not used this part of Dojo before, so this will be something new for me. I try not to look at my phone when I am with students. But, I am ready to try something different and the weeks leading up to the Christmas Holiday, seems like a perfect time to try.

When you receive positive messages, you do not have to reply to me. However when your child comes home from school, **please let them know that you received my messages and that you are proud of their behaviors and choices at school. You could even show him/her the Dojo messages.**

Parents, you play a very important part of this positive reward system.

Hold on to your Santa Hats....Christmas will be here soon!!!

- \* Dec. 11 - Christmas Movie and Popcorn Party, more details soon
- \* Our class party will be **December 18**, which is an Early Release. If you would like to help with our party, please let me know.
- \* For our Christmas party, each child will need to bring one wrapped book for our book exchange, please no gifts bags. These books should cost around \$5.00-10.00. Please send a gender neutral book. We will be playing a game with the wrapped books. Please send this wrapped book to school by Dec. 16.

I am sending home your child's Reading Writing Companion Unit 3.

Due to our school being online for the last 8 days, we did not get to finish this book. Your child does not have to finish or return this book.