

Ms. Long's Classroom News

This month, we're focusing on the IB attribute, being communicators. I encourage you to help us practice this skill at home, helping your child express themselves clearly, kindly, and respectfully. ☺

Happy birthday to
Thomas (12/07)!



NOTES

- * **Trimester 1 report cards** will be coming home **Friday** afternoon. Please review this report with your child, sign the envelope, & **return it to me by Friday, Dec. 15th**
- * Mark your calendars for our annual **Christmas pageant** on Wednesday, Dec. 13th from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Students should come dressed in "Sunday best" for the concert
- * To encourage participation in **One Church**, Math homework will be optional on Wednesday evenings (please write "Young Church" at top of the page)
- * For next **Tuesday's field trip**, please send your child with a **paper sack lunch** as we'll be eating at St. Vincent de Paul's facilities
- * With Christmas around the corner, help support our school as you purchase gifts using the **SCRIP program!** Forms can be found in the Thursday packet or front office
- * We'll be having a class **Christmas party** Friday morning; if you're willing & able to donate some **festive, healthy snacks** (or need some ideas), please email me. Thank you!
- * Join us for St. Luke's **BINGO Bash & Karaoke Night**, Friday Jan. 12th at 6 p.m.! Forms can be found in the Thursday packet

WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

- Math:** My Math Chp. 4: Subtract 2-digit #s, lessons 7 - 9, multi-step word problems with subtraction & regrouping; use www.aleks.com for enrichment & <https://xtramath.org> for facts
- Language Arts/Reading:** Super Kids Unit 3 Week 3 stories & skills focus on patterns with long & short "oo" sounds & spelling; using quotation marks & compound words. For spelling games, use <https://www.spellingcity.com/users/MsLong98133>
- Writing:** Opinion writing with Christmas "Would you rather?" prompts; writing "acts of kindness" notes to one another
- Religion:** Go Seek Find Reconciliation prep, Chp. 7: Jesus Helps us Always (Matthew 8:23 - 27) discusses how Jesus helps us in times of trouble; making Advent wreaths; building a Jesse tree
- Social Studies:** IB unit: "History can shape our (Shoreline) community for the common good." Students present their "Then & Now" community changes projects; finish creating their own map of their neighborhood & its resources
- Art:** winter birch trees (focus on medium); Advent candles

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **St. Luke families activity**, Tues. 12/05 at 1:00 p.m.
- **Tri. 1 Report cards sent home** - Fri. 12/08
- **Mass, Feast of the Immaculate Conception** - Fri. 12/08
- **Class field trip to St. Vincent de Paul** - Tues. 12/12, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- **St. Luke Christmas Pageant** - Wed. 12/13 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
- **Free dress & class Christmas party** - Fri. 12/15
- **Christmas caroling competition** - Fri. 12/15
- **Christmas Break** - Fri. 12/15 at 12:00 p.m. through Mon. Jan. 1st

HOMEWORK & TESTS

- **Language Arts:** Super Kids unit 3 week 3 Spelling test, Fri. 12/08
Unit 3 week 3 Spelling packet, due Fri. 12/08
- **Math:** Chp. 4: Subtraction test, Wed. 12/13

