

# MS. LONG'S CLASSROOM NEWS

Our school's theme is "Together We Can Change the World by being..." This month, we're focusing on being "knowledgeable" and acquiring information about the world around us. I encourage you to continue this at home, prompting your child to learn and discuss the topics they're learning in school with you and your family. Perhaps you've real-world experiences to share with them, or deeper questions to help them apply this knowledge outside of school!

Happy birthday  
to-who: Xavier  
(12/01)!!



## NOTES

- \* New reading logs are coming home with your child today, and are **due after Christmas Break on Mon. January 7th**
- \* If you haven't yet, please send those **friendly letter writing forms** - with addresses - in ASAP
- \* Please also help your child write down their **address & phone number** on the paper coming home tomorrow (it has a large envelope on one side & phone on the other). We'll be using these for our Shoreline history IB unit
- \* **Trimester I 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. 14th**. Included is a copy of our conference form for you to keep
- \* Mark your calendars for our **St. Luke Christmas pageant** on Wed., December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m.! Students should come dressed in "Sunday best" that evening
- \* We'll continue with our **Second Step lessons**, discussing ways to focus our attention & listen to teachers & peers
- \* With Christmas around the corner, help support our school as you purchase gifts & use the **SCRIP program!** Forms can be found in the Thursday packet or front office

## WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

- Math: Ms. Long's class** My Math Chp. 8: Money, lessons 4 - 5 (Problem solving counting money & counting dollars); **test on Friday!** Review subtraction facts
- ELA/Reading: Ms. Long's Reading class** Super Kids Unit 3 Week 3 stories & skills focus on patterns with long & short "oo" sounds & spelling; using quotation marks; and identifying & writing with compound words
- Writing:** In Unit 3, we're starting to write friendly letters to a relative or friend (**please send those forms in ASAP!**)
- Religion:** In Chp. 6: Jesus Loves & Cares for Us, we learn that Jesus loves us like a shepherd loves his sheep, calling us back & forgiving us when we stray from God
- Second Step:** lesson 2 focuses on focusing attention & building good listening skills
- Social Studies:** Reading Scholastic News, "The History of Gingerbread" & practicing comprehension & text features
- IB:** This week in our unit, "History can help shape our community for the common good," we are making a timeline of Shoreline's history. Each student will research a specific event in class, then write a paragraph about the event and attach it to our timeline in the primary wing hallway

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Family activity** - Tues. 12/04
- **Tri. I Report cards sent home** - Fri. 12/07
- **Mass, Our Lady of Guadalupe** - Fri. 12/12 @ 9:30 a.m.
- **St. Luke Christmas Pageant** - Wed. 12/19 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Christmas caroling competition** - Fri. 12/21
- **Christmas Break** - Fri. 12/21 (@ noon) - 1/06

## HOMEWORK & TESTS

- **IB:** Your address & phone number form due, Thurs. 12/06
- **Language Arts:** Super Kids u.3 wk 3 Spelling h/w due & test, Fri. 12/07
- **Math:** Chp. 8: Money test (both Math classes), Fri. 12/07
- **Reading:** December's reading log, due Mon. 1/07 (read 10 min./night)

