## 1st Grade Safari News

# December 14, 2018

What's been happening in our classroom this week?

#### Week 19

In math, we are learning how to determine the unknown (mystery) number in addition and subtraction equations. We are learning to re-write the original equation into a fact family equation to solve for the unknown number. We know that we can check it because of fact families and with our strategies to make sure we have the correct number. We also learned the parts of addition and subtraction equations.

In Reading, we've been reading literary texts to retell the story using the 5 finger retell and to identify the author's central message or lesson of the story.



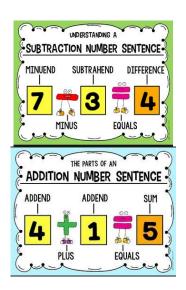
In Social Studies, we learned about how Christmas is celebrated around the world in Germany, Australia and the United States.

In Writing, we are learning to indent and start our writing with a topic sentence and use temporal words (First, Next, Then, Last) to add our supporting details. We are focusing on writing informational or how-to writing pieces this quarter. We are practicing how to proofread/edit our work by color coding. We circle capitals with green, circle end punctuation with red, underline nouns with yellow and underline adjectives with black. Most students have a goal of writing 4 complete sentences on their own this quarter.

### Character Counts Pillar: Responsibility

Please make sure your child is reading TO you every night for at least 15 minutes! Document it on the Reading





### <u>Dates to</u> Remember:

Dec. 20~Holiday rotations

Dec. 21~Dismissal @ 11:30am

Dec. 22-Jan. 7~Winter Break!





Homework is given out on Fridays and is due the following Friday! Students will receive 5 Dojo points for turning in completed HW on time.



#### A Look Ahead to Next Week:

Reading: Retell stories with key details & central message of literary text Trick Words: because, play, said, she, they, was, of, our, tree, bell, wreath CHALLENGE Words: Christmas, holidays, tradition, snowman Phonics: Suffixes (-s); glued sounds (-ang, -ing,

glued sounds (-ang, -ing, -ong, -ung, -ank, -ink, -onk, -unk)

Writing: Commas:

Adjectives; informative

writing

Math: Find the missing #

in +/- sentences

**Science/Social Studies:** 

Holidays around the world Citizenship: self-control;

responsibility