

## Room 12

# Friday Newsletter

December 6, 2019

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### What we did this week:

- On Monday we took the Pre-Assessment for our new math unit on measuring. Pre-assessments are used to show students what the unit will be about and to show the teacher what the students already know. We read the book Jim and the Beanstalk which talks about measuring different objects using a measuring tape. The class was able to use “teacher feet”, “giant feet”, and tiles to measure different objects in our classroom. On Thursday, students made their own inchworm rulers (ask your student about these) and were able to use those to help measure as well.
- We have been working on our Nonfiction writing books during writing. Students were able to add more details, and then later in the week students used checklists to evaluate their writing pieces. They were able to see what details they had in their writing and what they were missing. Ask your student what they are writing their teaching books about! On Friday we focused on spelling, capitals, and punctuation. Ms. Jensen and I worked with groups throughout Writing to focus on these areas.
- In Social Studies we started discussing consumers and producers. Students have become pretty familiar with these two new vocabulary words. Ask them what they mean and to give an example of each!
- Reading groups have been put on hold as I am administering reading assessments for new reading groups after Winter Break. Students continue to work on writing, word work, and reading during Daily 5.

## Notes:

- Please make sure you have read the Erin's Law attachment on my Friday Newsletter email.
  - Since we are the Comstock winners of Change for Change, Mr. Freeman and Mr. Zaragoza are rewarding us with a Taco Tuesday for lunch! Students brought home the form today that will need to be signed and returned to me by **December 13th**.
  - Students should have a personal water bottle at school every day to reduce the amount of in-and-out activity in the classroom.
  - Here is a P.E. blurb from Mr. Flinn:
    - Hello Parents/Guardians,  
Mr. Flinn's 1st- 3rd grade classes participate in weekly event called the 7 Minute Class Run (a friendly class vs. class running competition). Once a month, Mr. Flinn is allowing Parent participation to help your child's class win the 7 Minute Class Run trophy. If you'd like to participate, please make sure you fill out the volunteer form and contact Mrs. Schaefer to complete the mandated reporter paperwork. All information is on Mr. Flinn's webpage. Please email Mr. Flinn if you have any questions.  
Thursday, December 12th (Smetters - 10:30 am)
  - If your student is absent or leaving early, please send an email to Ms. Jensen and me so we are aware.
  - The class code for Scholastic is - W92DG. If the books you order are going to be a gift, please let me know so I can put them aside so your student does not see them.
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## Upcoming Dates:

- Friday, December 13th - Holiday Bazaar
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- Tuesday, December 17th - Taco Tuesday!
  - Friday, December 20th - Early Release
    - Winter Sing (8:15 - 9:45 a.m.)
    - Holiday Party (11:45 - 12:45 p.m.)
  - Monday, January 6th - School Reconvenes
    - Erin's Law with Mrs. Meyer
  - Friday, January 10th - Natural Leaders Assembly (8:10 a.m.)
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