

Dear Room 19 Families,

I hope you are having a wonderful weekend! Happy last four days of school before break! Thank you for all of the thoughtful Richstone donations, I know that our "adopted" family will be very happy this holiday season.

Below, please find some reminders and updates for the upcoming week, as well as a brief summary of what we are working on in class.

### Information and Updates:

- **MBEF-** Don't forget to make your year-end donation! We are currently at 61%, and with at least 75% we can earn a \$200 materials bonus, or at 90% participation, that bonus goes up to \$300.
- **Griffith Observatory-** Our field trip is the Thursday that we return from break, 1/10. I am still missing a couple of permission forms, please return them ASAP.
- **KidBlog-** The next review is a free choice, and will be due on January 10<sup>th</sup>. Make sure to read over the break!
- **Holiday Book Exchange Party Thursday-** Students may wear ugly sweaters/pajamas, and will enjoy some treats on the patio. For the exchange, please send your child to school with a new or gently used wrapped book on Wednesday (please write who it is from on the inside cover). We will have an old fashioned "Yankee Swap" in which the children draw names and each has a chance to either choose a book from the pile, or "steal" a book that has already been chosen.

### Reminders for this Week:

- **Monday-**
  - We have P.E.
- **Tuesday-**
  - We have Science Lab with Mrs. Liu.
  - We have a science test.
  - We will meet with our Kinder Pals.
- **Wednesday-**
  - Remember that we will meet on the upper playground at 8:10 for morning assembly.
    - Be a Proud Pacific Panther and represent our school by wearing blue, yellow, or Pacific gear. Please join me and the student council members in making cards to thank the fire fighters that have helped in the recent California fires.
- **Thursday-**
  - We have music. Remember to bring your instrument.
  - We have P.E.
  - Wear an ugly sweater and/or pajamas!
  - We will have our celebration and book exchange!

## What We're Working on This Week:

- **Reading & Writing-** We will finish the novel, *Home of the Brave*. We are using Scholastic to focus on nonfiction text structures- using Depth and Complexity and Notice and Note to think deeply, and write well, about what we read.
- **Math-** The graded Mid-Module Assessments will be returned tomorrow. This week we will continue to add and subtract with fractions.
- **Science-** We will finish our scope, Matter is Everywhere, and have a 5-question multiple choice test on Tuesday.
- **Social Studies-** A note from Mrs. Stelter: Graded social studies test were returned last Thursday. This week students will learn about daily life in a Puritan community during colonial times. We will also discuss the major industries in the New England colonies.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.