

Mrs. Roberts' Classroom Newsletter ~ Grade 4

December 4, 2023

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ☺ **Now ~ State Research/Float-** Students should complete the Research Questions - the final packet and float by Dec. 13. The Google Slides will be worked on between November 17 and December 13 here at school.
- ☺ **December 4 ~ Teachers' Professional Development**
School will dismiss at 12:15 so the faculty may engage in professional development
- ☺ **December 7 ~ LCA Christmas Concert 6:30 PM at Schuler Performing Arts Center.**
Please see the music teacher for any questions.
- ☺ **December 8 ~ Hands-to-Art Field Trip (4th graders only)**
A field trip form was sent home before Thanksgiving break. Let me know if you need another copy.
- ☺ **December 14 ~ Parade of the States!**
9AM in the gymnasium. Parents are welcome to attend.
- ☺ **December 15 ~**
 1. Dads/Fatherly Figures are welcome at 8:15 (in the gymnasium) for a morning of donuts and hot chocolate.
 2. Christmas Family Adoption
See the attached for more info
 3. Classroom Christmas Party
See attached for more info
 4. End of 2nd Quarter

OUR LEARNING

Bible Class & Treasure Verse

We are learning that God provides us with spiritual armor to protect us from Satan, our enemy.

Our Treasure Verse:

Ephesians 6:14-17 "Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God."

Treasure Verse Test - Friday, December 14

Spelling

We will study lesson 13 this week. The lessons with the dates those word lists will be covered can be found in your child's Binder and on my website.

Spelling Test - Friday, December 14

Accelerated Reading Points

Students are required to accumulate AR points for each quarter of the school year. My avid readers will need 20 points by the end of 2nd quarter, December 15. Students will need to read each evening in order to attain required points. Students may turn in **Reading Logs** to be entered into bimonthly drawings.

ELA

We will take a short break from our normal ELA routine to learn additional grammar and writing skills.

Our Learning (continued)

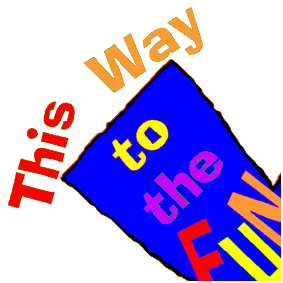
Math ~ This week:

Students are continuing chapter 4.
Please contact Mrs. Hervig for more information.

Social Studies/Science

This week we will continue learning about the Southeast Region. Students should be learning the states and capitals for this region in order to be successful for the test given on Dec. 12.

Students should be working on their individual STATE FLOAT PROJECT. Students should be ready to share their Google Slides on the 13th and pull their state float on the 14th of December.



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Third and Fourth Grade Christmas Party Friday, December 15



Both $\frac{3}{4}$ Classrooms will combine for a winter Christmas party. Students will have a name in which to buy a COCOA mug which should have something small inside (Candy/small toy, etc.) The mug should be wrapped with gift tag and brought to school the 15th. Names will be drawn November 27. Mug/gift expense should be between \$10-\$15. Students are also encouraged to wear their pajamas and bring slippers to change into this day. Below is a sign-up sheet for our party. There is a sign-up for each classroom.

Mrs. Roberts' Classroom ~ 12 Students

If you would like to donate items for our party, please mark them below and return this form as soon as you are able. Thanks!

 Apple Slices

 Grapes

Dane, Wyatt Cookies

Wyatt Individual Juice

Boxes

 Orange Wedges

 Animal Crackers (individual size)

 Popcorn (individual size)

Colton Muffins

 Plates

 Napkins

 1/2 cheese sandwiches

 1/2 jam sandwiches

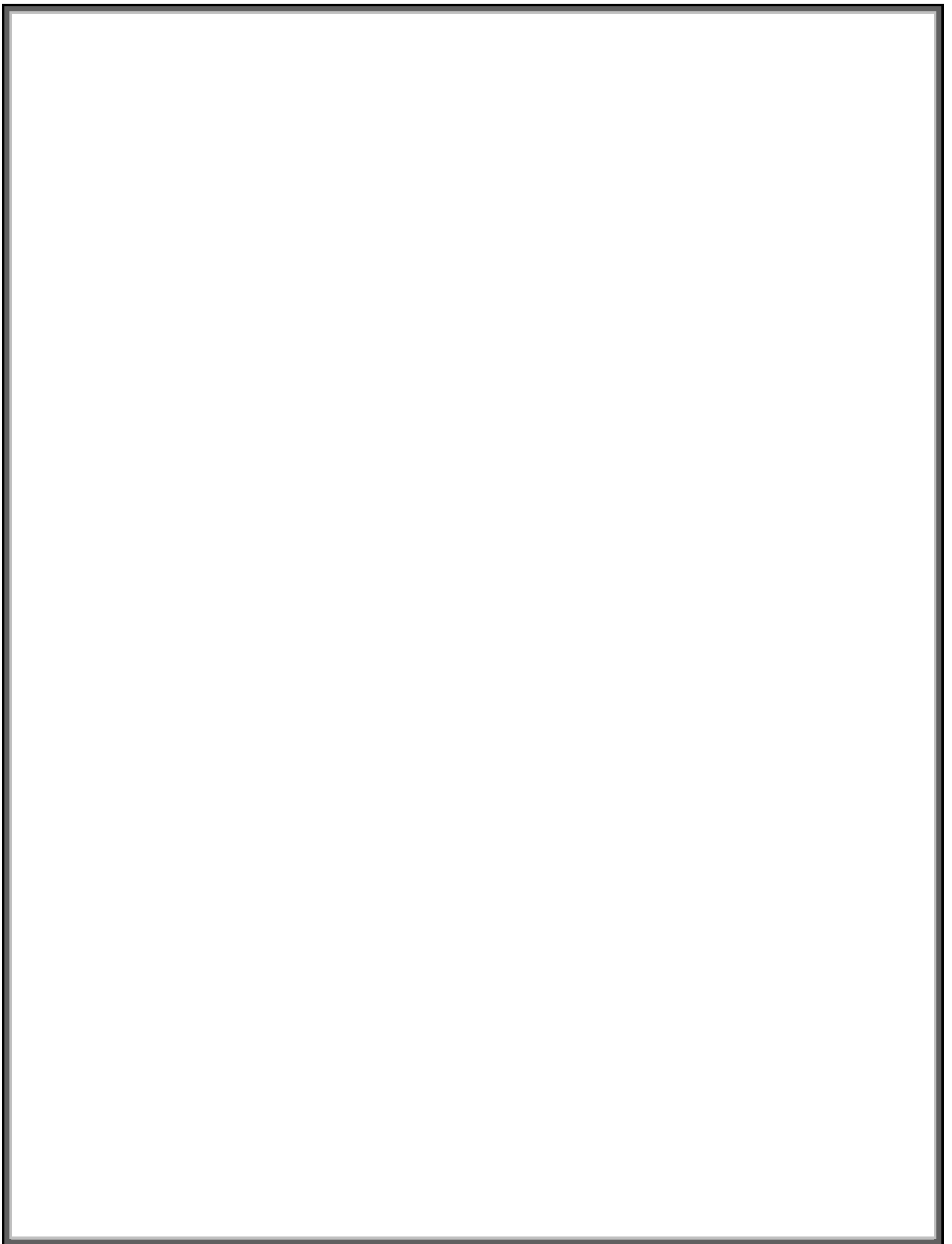
 Other (please specify) _____

 Holly M, Aaron S I can help with the party (prepare/place food on tables, clean-up, etc)

_____ (Parent Name)

_____ (Cell number)

_____ (Student Name)





Dear 3rd/4th grade parents,

Christmas is a time to remember God's gift to us—the birth of Christ. We also remember this as a time for exchanging presents. Certainly Christmas is a time of giving and sharing with those around us, but that sharing is not limited to those that we love and care for. It is also for the person that we have never met and will never see; those that are not so fortunate in their lives as we are and that could use a helping hand. Acts of kindness are inextricably entwined with the Christmas spirit.

Last school year, our classrooms adopted a family for Christmas where students brought in items for a family to have a wonderful Christmas. We decided to keep this tradition going this Christmas. We explained to our classrooms that adopting a family for Christmas wouldn't replace our own classroom gift exchange (mug filled with goodies).

Prior to Thanksgiving, I asked a couple of churches if they could let us know of any family that would benefit from our help. I was given a family that is certainly in great need of daily help, let alone to celebrate Christmas. Here is what I can share with you. The family lost their home due to a fire and is currently living in a small rental home, which has been provided by a gracious church member. The mother and father are between the ages of 35-40 and have 3 children: 11-year-old girl, 9-year-old boy and 3-yr old girl. From what I have been told, there aren't any food allergies.

I feel compelled to help this family and have already started my own contributions for this family. If you would like to join me and gain a blessing from helping this family, I know you won't regret it.

Between now and December 15, we will collect items for this family. The family will be so thankful for anything we provide. Here are some **ideas**:

- Because we don't "know" the family (likes/dislikes, etc), gift cards are always a great way to go. This will help provide for the family's specific needs. Gas cards, grocery store cards, Walmart, and Target cards are always "safe." A gift card for places to **eat** is great, too!
- Hats, gloves/mittens, scarves, and warm socks are good things to buy that they usually are in need of, and also are made as "one size fits most" so you don't have to worry much about them being the wrong size.
- Toys that would be age-appropriate
- Movie tickets

I am planning on purchasing several containers and maybe a laundry basket in which we can place the donated items.

If you cannot take part in helping this family, please know that I understand and certainly do not want anyone to feel pressured to do something that may not be feasible for your family.

Blessings to you,

Mrs. Anita Roberts