

# First Grade Monday Letter

## December 5<sup>th</sup> -9<sup>th</sup>

Dear Parents,

The Holiday Christmas Tree Project will continue to be the homework for this week. It is due this Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> (Pearl Harbor Day!). This is your child's project. You may supply them with whatever materials are in your budget or craft closet. They can be creative with the decorating (Along with your supervision, so gooey stuff isn't everywhere!) Bottom line...your child needs to complete it! I will take projects early, only if they are dry!!

On Friday, the prior 11 spelling lists went home for review for a class Spelling Bee on Wednesday, 12/7. While everyone will play the game, the choice to study is optional! We will have a spell off until we have 4 spellers left. Those 4 will participate in a school bee on Thursday, 12/8.

December Book-It's are due. Please turn them in! New logs will be sent home on Tuesday

### Key Concepts for the Week

**Phonics:** On Thursday, *December 8<sup>th</sup>*, our phonics test will be on Chart 15b. Please make sure that you are practicing saying and writing these sounds! Also, look for them as you read!

**ey in key, ey in obey, o in shovel, ph in phone, ch in chorus, Chr in Christmas, sch in school, ought in thought**

Review Spelling List 10: her, serve, purse, burn, curl, turn, dirt, first, girl, sir, stir, shirt, third, have, said

- Dividing words between consonants that are not the same. ie: scram / ble
- Dividing words between a long vowel and
- Writing the root word and the suffixes, -ing and -ed.

*Looking ahead: for December 15<sup>th</sup> Phonics Chart 16. : (aught in caught, g in giant, dge in fudge, a- asleep, al- in also, be- in because, en- in enjoy, un- in unbutton)*

### Math:

- Time and Money
- Word problems
- Fact Families
- Mixed addition and subtraction

**Language:** We are still concentrating on sentence writing, beginning with a capital and ending with a period. **New Concept:** Adding suffixes to make new words.

**History:** Our Nation's Symbols

**Science:** Weather

**Bible:** The Life of Christ; His Birth

**Bible Verse:** "...for the Mighty One has done great things for me-"  
**holy is his name." Luke 1:49**

**Spelling:** *Test on Friday* December 9<sup>th</sup> :

**1.book, 2. look, 3.good, 4. foot, 5.wood, 6.shook,  
7.boot, 8.food, 9. loose, 10.moon, 11.roof, 12.room,  
13.tooth, 14. have, 15. give**

Looking Ahead: Test on December 16<sup>th</sup>: chin, check, chick, much, ouch, born, fork, horn, horse, word, work, took, cool, says, was

**Computer:** Mavis Beacon Typing Drills

**Spanish:** Review body parts and Unit 2 vocabulary for **test next week**. Study page 178

**Music:** Tchaikovsky's "The Nutcracker".

**PE:** Movement skills/Game Plays

### **Homework Schedule**

Study Nightly: Bible verse, Phonics rules, Spelling words and characters for Bible test.

**Monday:** Holiday Christmas Tree Project, Reading

**Tuesday:** Reading

**Wednesday:** Reading

**Thursday:** Reading