

\* This Wednesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> we have a 1:40 dismissal, and no school on Thursday, November 27<sup>th</sup> or Friday, November 28<sup>th</sup> due to the Thanksgiving holiday. I wish you a wonderful time with your families.

\* On Wednesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, Dwight's first graders are heading to the Bridgeport Cabaret Theater to see <u>Peter Pan</u>. We are leaving Dwight around 10:45 and will return around 2:00. Students will need to bring **lunch from home** this day (no peanut butter or nuts please). Please pack lunches in disposable bags clearly labeled with your child's name.

\* *Save the Date!* Our Gingerbread House celebration will take place on Friday, December 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:45-11:00. All parents are invited to attend! Last week a letter came home in your first grader's folder with more information.

Reader's Workshop:

This week in Reader's Workshop we'll continue our nonfiction unit. Ask your reader what he/she has learned about nonfiction books so far!

Writer's Workshop:

In Writer's Workshop we will continue our expert books, working on adding details to our sections.

Math:

This week in Math we'll learn about using subtraction to find "how many more". We'll also explore related facts. (i.e. - 5+7=12 is related to 12-7=5)

Word Work:

There will be no new Word Wall words or word families this week. Please continue to practice the "oldies, but goodies" at home!

Science/Social Studies:

\* In the LMC last week, students created their own communities. At home, ask your first graders what places they chose to include in their communities!

It's not too late to volunteer to come in and talk to our class about your job/role in the community!

Odds and Ends:

\* Because of the short week and the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday, there will be no homework in first grade this week.

\* Please remember that library books should be returned to school on or before "B" days. (Unless, of course, your reader is not finished with them!) That way, your child can check out new books for the week. Thanks!

\* A special thank you to Mrs. DeMeneses and Mrs. Kingston, our CANE volunteers. They came in last week to teach us about the food chain. The class enjoyed the lesson!