

# First Grade News

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We have finished unit 2 in reading. This week we will be reviewing all of the short vowel sounds and the initial and final consonant clusters. Our spelling list this week is extra long because we are reviewing the unit 2 words. Our unit 2 reading test will be this Thursday and Friday. Most of the children have completed a rough-draft version of their letters to Santa Claus. We will also be making cards for our 4<sup>th</sup> grade buddies.



We have discussed how to use a number line to solve subtraction problems. The students have also been using function tables to recognize number patterns. We will begin talking about fact families. The students will learn to create a fact family for a set of three numbers.



Our Christmas Party is next Friday following our school mass. We will be celebrating with our 4<sup>th</sup> grade buddies. Please reference the email from our room-mothers

( <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080b49a5aa23a6f94-holiday> )

**Special Christmas Note:** Mrs. Peterson has requested that all of the first graders wear nice, “dress clothes” or something cultural for the **evening** Christmas program on Thursday, December 14. The children must be in the classroom Thursday night at 6:30. We will come directly back to the classroom after we perform. We will be watching a movie so you can stay and enjoy the rest of the show. Students need to wear their **school uniforms** to school and change into their costumes for the Senior Luncheon performance on Dec. 14, Thursday **afternoon**.



We are discussing the life of Mary. So far, we have talked about her presentation and the significant events of her life up to the Annunciation. We will celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas tomorrow.



**Congratulations to Lauren! She is our star student.**

## Reminder

This Friday is an early (12:00) dismissal day.