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Spelling

See your child's weekly list. ☺

Vocabulary Words

Spattered (speckled with small drops), bundle (wrapped tightly in blankets), scramble (climb over), lantern (a light covered by glass that can be carried by the handle), hibernate (to spend the winter in an inactive condition; sleeping through the winter), lopsided (leaning to one side), gather (to come together), creatures (living beings/animals), admire (to be impressed, or adore), hoping (expecting/wishing).

Vocabulary Skill

Shades of Meaning: Small differences in meaning between similar words or phrases.
Ex. Edison <u>suspected</u> he could improve the telegraph.
Edison <u>believed</u> he could improve the telegraph.

Reading: <u>Night Tree</u>

In ELA, we will be reading a text, called <u>Night Tree</u>. In this text, we will focus on finding the main idea (what the story is mostly about). Students will be applying this skill to their independent reading, as well as what we are reading in small groups.

Math:
Properties of Multiplication & Division

This week, students will solve one– and two–step word problems. On Tuesday, we will review our unit on Multiplication and Division for our math test on Wednesday. On Thursday, students will go back to their tests to make corrections, and then play fluency games to become better mathematicians. On Friday, we will begin our second unit on Multiplication and Division with factors of 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10. Be sure your child is practicing their facts each night. ☺

Social Studies: Communities

This week we will begin learning about the 5 strands of Communities (geography, history, culture, economy, & politics). We will begin by learning about geography, government, and history using our community.

Happy Birthday, December!

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Save the Date!

Outside Recess
Don't forget your hats and gloves for outside recess.

Penny Harvest
Bring in any spare change to donate to a cause of MTE's choice!

Hour of Code
Monday, December 5th
In class, all third graders will participate in an hour of code. During this time, students will be learning about programing.