# Kelley Class News







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## **Teacher-to-Parents**

Dear Parents,

Hello! I hope you all had a great Thanksgiving holiday and break! It was good to slow down a bit and enjoy family and the start to the holiday season. What holidays do you celebrate? We will be talking about holidays people celebrate around this time of year and we want to be sure that we talk about holidays your family celebrates. Let me know by emailing me (tkelley@wcpss.net) or on TalkingPoints.

This week we start a 3 week stretch before our winter break. It has been my experience over many years of teaching first graders that this can be a difficult time to stay focused on school. There is so much excitement in the air from decorations, stores, presents, etc. Let's work together to remind them that we still have learning to do. This is an important time at school because we want to teach and assess as much as possible while they have momentum for learning. When they come back from winter break it takes them a while to get back into the swing of school, but the quarter ends in only 2 weeks (January 14th). You will start getting weekly reports again Dec. 6, but on TalkingPoints. It is a secure form of communication, translates into other languages automatically and is easier to open. You can either receive messages by text or use the TalkingPoints app.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving! Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. King and Miss Golden

## Week-At-A-Glance

#### Literacy:

We will be focusing on informational text (nonfiction) about the sun, moon, and stars. We will be getting ready to do a science talk. A science talk is when we talk about facts we learned with a small group. In Skills block we will be learning about y at the end of the word that sounds like the long vowel i. We will be writing facts that we learn as notes.

**Math:** We will continue to compare numbers with symbols, but will add the = symbol. We use the same trick to write the symbol using dots to show that the numbers have the same value. Then connect them. Here's a link for instructions https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OAUXXD\_6qPQ We will have an assessment on Friday

### Positivity Project/Leadership: Kindness

You are generous to others and you are never too busy to help out. You enjoy doing good deeds for other people.

Habit 4: Think Win-win. I win! You win! We all win!

Fixed MindsetI don't understand.(giving up)

VS

© Growth Mindset What am I missing? (problem solving) November 29, 2021

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#### **Specials**

Nov. 29-Dec. 3 **Leadership** Dec. 6-10 **Media** Dec. 13-17 **Music** 



## Reminders...

- ✓ Bring a water bottle to school
- ☑ Bring a snack
  to school
- ☑ Bring a face mask to school (and a spare)
- ☑ Charge your device every night
- ☑ Bring back
  your take
  home books

## What's Happening

#### Math Night on Thursday

We will have a Math Night on Thursday, December 2nd at 6:00pm. The Math Night will start off with a PTA meeting. Please go here first. At the

end of the meeting, they will give links to the first grade math night. We will be sharing information about math in first grade and we will be playing some virtual games. It might be a good idea for your child to have paper and pencil so he/she can work along with us.



We would like to embrace the various holidays students celebrate around this time of year. Which holidays do you celebrate. We will spotlight a holiday in the afternoons before dismissal. Send me a message to tell what you celebrate and how you celebrate. We would love to have students share. We will be spotlighting Christmas, Hannukah, Kwanzaa, Ramadan, Diwali as we look at holidays that have special lights.

#### **December Book Exchange**

We will be having a fun book exchange on December 17th. We will be playing a "hot potato" like game to exchange the books. We want all the students to participate and here's how:

- 1. Purchase a book for \$5 or less (be sure that anyone would like it—boys or girls)
- 2. Write "From: (your child's name)" on the inside cover.
- 3. Wrap the book and write "From: (your child's name)" on the wrapping paper.
- 4. Send the book in by Monday, December 13th. This gives us time to make sure every child will have a book.
- 5. If you are able send in an extra wrapped book, for students that aren't able to purchase a book.

# Celebrate Dr. Brown's Retirement!

Car Parade! December 9th at 6:00pm



### **Mark Your Calendar**

**Dec. 1:** College T-Shirt Day

Dec. 2: Virtual Math Night, 6:00pm

Dec. 6: Dress Up: When I grow up, I'll be...

**Dec. 7:** Raise the Ruff, support "Saving Grace" dog rescue

Dec. 8: Hawaiian Shirt or Beach Day

Dec. 9: Green Spirit WearCar Parade at

6:00pm

**Dec. 10:** Wacky Hair Day

**Dec. 13:** Send in your book exchange book

Dec. 19: Whoville Day (dress like a Who) more

info coming soon

Dec. 20-31: Winter Break



## November Terrific Kids

We are so proud of this month's Terrific kids!

Terrific Perseverance

Alexander J.

Terrific L.C.A.D.er

Ayden C.

Great job all of you!

