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## Upcoming Events:

5th Grade Spelling Bee      January 12 at 2:00

Week of: January 3-7

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## Thank You!

Thank you for all your donations of supplies and treats for our Christmas celebration. We wish all our families a joyous holiday season!!

## Desk Notes:

### Girls on the Run

*If you would like your daughter to enjoy physical activity, develop a positive body image, and learn about good friendships and making healthy choices, Girls on the Run is the program for her! During two after school practices a week for 10 weeks, your daughter will train for a 5K run while playing cooperative games, setting goals, and learning the power of exercise. The registration is Thursday, January 6 from 3:30-6:00 in the South Elementary Gym. (Watch for information flyers in the next few weeks!) The \$60 fee covers the cost of the program, a new pair of running shoes, 2 shirts, and a water bottle. Scholarships are available. Please contact Christie Hill at [hic393@charter.net](mailto:hic393@charter.net) or 997-3100 with questions or if you are interested in coaching a team.*



## Catherine Meintsma Honorary Blood Drive

Saturday, December 18th from 10:00-2:00 at Cupcake Creations & Bakery. Free T-shirt to all who attempt to donate! Appointments are preferred. If you have questions or would like to make an appointment, please call Alison at 616-233-8650



# ACADEMIC

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

**ELA:** As we ring in the new year, we will be holding onto our ELA traditions. Reading Logs will again be due each Friday and Spelling will start off in full swing. And, don't forget about Vocabulary boxes that are due each Friday. In writing we will be jumping feet first into poetry.

**Social Studies:** This week in Social Studies we will dive deeper into the topic of Michigan's Natural Resources while talking about where they are found and what they are used for.

**Math:** Before break, your third grader learned about rounding and comparing numbers. We will be continuing with this study after break. I'll also be reminding your child of their tenmarks.com password before break. There will be a bronco buck reward for completed work on the website over break!

**Science:** We have now turned the corner to the study of sound in science. We experimented with vibrations this week and will specifically look at vibrating strings after break.



# UPDATES

## 4th Grade

**ELA:** We are looking forward to January and the return of our regular reading and writing routines. I'm asking students to start thinking about Lexile books for January now, so they should have a jump start on that month. After break we will start writing a realistic fiction piece of writing. Students will have the opportunity to a fantasy piece later in the year.

**Social Studies:** I'm sure that everyone will be excited to head south for the winter with our tour of the Southeast region. The sunshine belt awaits us!

**Math:** We will be starting a new unit on 3 dimensional figures when we return from break in January.

**Science:** In science, when we return, we will be wrapping up the magnetism portion of our unit by looking at items that are attracted to a magnet, which parts of the magnets are strongest and the poles of the magnet.

## 5th Grade

**ELA:** We will be back in our normal ELA routine when we return from break. Spelling will resume and Home Connection Books and reading logs will be expected as normal on Friday, January 7th. December lexile books were due today, and new January books should be chosen sometime this week. We are enjoying exploring and writing poetry during our writing workshop time. We will continue to write more poetry in the new year.

**Social Studies:** We had the chance to begin our next chapter on the New England, Middle and Southern Colonies this week. The bulk of our work in this chapter, though, will come in the new year.

**Math:** Fractions, fractions, fractions will be our focus after break. We will start this unit with adding and subtracting fractions with unlike denominators.

**Science:** After break we will be working on creating roller coasters! The students are very excited to put their knowledge of motion and forces to the test! Thank you to everyone who has already sent in toilet paper and paper towel tubes. I've sent home another note with other supplies that might be useful.

