

Miss Basinger's First Grade Newsletter

December 1, 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- DEC 9- Pajama Party movie with PTA- watching "Elf" ☺ - Don't wear PJ's to school
- DEC 12- Blast Off! - parents are welcome!
- DEC 16- Enrichment Cluster Showcase!! (4:30-6 pm) Please look for details in next week's Thursday folder!! Enrichment clusters are held each Friday from 2:00-3:00 grades 1st-4th. ASK YOUR child about the exciting experience!
- DEC 19- Class Winter party at 2:30!!
- DEC 20- Christmas caroling downtown @ 10:00!! Will need chaperones!!



Box Tops

- With holidays/breaks coming up, you all will probably be doing extra cooking! We are collecting box tops year round and would really appreciate if you all could send in Box Tops for Education to school in a plastic baggie. Our goal is to reach \$1000 and we currently have \$334.

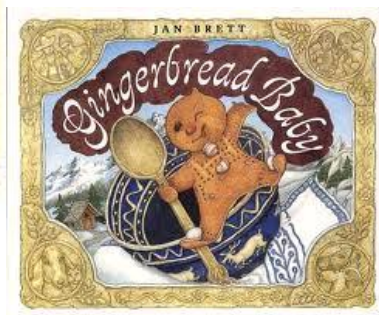
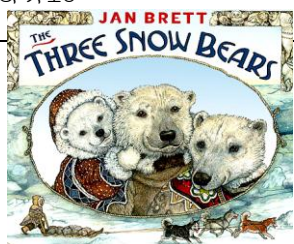


This is what we studied:

- Choose between different tasks to delve deeper into comparing/retelling folktales: creating comics, dioramas, an original folktale, song pictures, story maps, and student-made ideas.
- Word of the week: *generosity*
- Working on making contractions.

Coming up in our studies on Monday- We will be doing an author study of **Jan Brett** ☺ We have tons of her books (Gingerbread Baby, The Mitten, The Hat, etc) and a bunch of great ideas to accompany these amazing stories. Please speak to your child about these books next week. They will be doing a lot of story maps to really dig deeper into comprehension.

- Fact families of 7, 8, 9, 10



THUNDER CHALLENGE DUE!!! Please send tomorrow if you did not send today. Will not take it after because it is due this weekend. Please continue to read each night and sign the agendas nightly. Studies have proven that children who read/ are read to several times each week have higher success rates in school! I know this is a busy time of the year, but it is so very crucial to the students.