

This week, we are reading...

- Realistic Fiction books
- Molly Lou Melon
- Enemy Pie
- Bullies Never Win
- Rock Star Santa
- Carl's Christmas

Practicing reading Realistic Fiction: I can...

- Tell the important things in a story in order from the beginning, middle and end
- Explain the turning point in a story


## In math we are...

- Using known combinations to add two or more numbers with tens and ones
- Finding the difference 20 and a given number
- Relating doubles facts $(6+6+=12)$ and near doubles facts ( $6+7=13$ )
- Developing fluency with the near-doubles facts (keep practicing addition facts at home too)
- Adding 2-digit numbers by combining tens and ones


I can...
> Use my ideas to plan my stories with realistic characters, problems and solutions
$>$ Elaborate my stories in order with a beginning, middle and end
$\rightarrow$ Include characters' actions, thoughts and feelings

Dear Parents,
There are a lot of extra, fun activities planned for the next 2 weeks of school. Please keep track of these activities by reading the notes that come home in the red Wednesday folder and noticing important due dates and reminders in our weekly newsletter.

## Looking for:

> $\$ 2$ for gingerbread supplies
> Candy donations -
marshmallows, licorice, sugar
cones, etc.
> Helpers to assemble and decorate the gingerbread houses
> Wrapped book for our classroom gift exchange
Thank You, the $2^{\text {nd }}$ Grade teachers

## School-Wide Monthly Theme: December - Confidence Conversations

1. Focus on your child's strengths. Encourage them to use their talents.
2. Teach your child a new skill to empower them - do the dishes, cook a dish, sew, etc.
3. Allow your child to make choices - what to wear, what to eat for lunch, etc.
4. Teach them to solve their own problems to feel accomplishment.

## Things to Remember...

## December

$9^{\text {th }}-13^{\text {th }}$ Santa Shop
$13^{\text {th }}$ Day of Play - see note
$13^{\text {th }}$ Popcorn Day - 1 bag for 50 cents, 3 bags for $\$ 1.00$
$16^{\text {th }}$ Wrapped book due for Class Book Exchange
$17^{\text {th }}$ Varsity Voices 9:00 a.m.
$18^{\text {th }}$ Assemble Gingerbread houses - 1:00 p.m.
19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Decorate Gingerbread Houses - 9:00 a.m. (take home)
19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ Holiday Parties 2:00-3:00 p.m.
$20^{\text {th }}$ School Sing-Along
$23^{\text {rd }}$ - Jan. $3^{\text {rd }}$ Winter break - no school
January
$6^{\text {th }}$ Back to school
$17^{\text {th }}$ Half day - Dismissal at 11:30 a.m.
$20^{\text {th }}$ No School
February
$13^{\text {th }} 1^{\text {st }}-2^{\text {nd }}$ Grade Concert 7:00 p.m.

