Ms. Flaherty’s Classroom News for the Week of Dec. 21st



Dear Parents,

Congratulations to our grade level spelling bee winners: Elizabeth, Gabby, and Madysen! They will represent the fourth grade at the school-wide spelling bee in January.

Thank you for helping your child practice his/her multiplication facts at home. S/he is expected use XtraMath daily as part of the daily homework. Students will take their unit five test this week. This includes rounding, multiplying single and double digits, and double digits by double digits.

While reading the chapter book, Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing, my class learned the vocabulary word “committees.” Students asked if they could have committees to organize and be in charge of their classroom Christmas party. Some of the committees are decorations, games, and food (desserts & beverages). The food committee said they’d like cookies and candy to go along with the lunch I’m providing for all my students this Tuesday. Mrs. Lentz is generously providing sugar cookies. This committee also decided everyone should bring in their own beverage, such as soda, punch, or water. School milk is available, too.

Students are having a contest to see who can sell the most Culver’s calendars. These calendars have over $50 worth of coupons and only cost $5. They make fabulous Christmas gifts. Be sure to purchase yours before they’re sold out!

I wish you and your family a merry Christmas and a happy New Year!

Sincerely, Ms. Flaherty

**Academics:** *Reading Strategy Focus* – Fact/Opinion *Writing* – Persuasive Writing *Math* – Unit 5 Test, Tuesday *Science* – Electricity Unit



**Important Dates:**

*Dec. 21st, Monday* – $1 Wrapped Gift Due (for student gift exchange) - - Great Jeffery Raffle Assembly, 5th Grade Fundraiser *Dec. 22, Tuesday –* 4th Grade Teachers Provide Lunch for Students - - Christmas Party *Dec. 23rd, Wednesday –* No school, Christmas Vacation Begins *Jan. 4th, Monday –* Students Return to School *Jan. 7th, Thursday* – School-Wide Spelling Bee