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Dear parents,

Our elf Wink came to visit our class! It's been so nice having him.

Next week is our last week before Christmas break, so hard to believe! Here is some information for our holiday spirit week: On Monday 12/18 we have Pajama Day. On Tuesday 12/19 we have Hanukkah Day, wear blue and white. On Wednesday 12/20 is our Christmas show, wear red, green, and your Santa hat. Thursday 12/21 is Ugly Sweater Day. Friday 12/22 is a Teacher Planning Day, attendance is NOT mandatory. We will be closed from December 25th-January 1st.

This week our question was "How was life different that it was long ago?" Our vocabulary words were past, present, future, century, and entertainment. Some stories we read were 'The Last Train', 'Life At Home,' and 'From Horse to Plane.' We focused on comparing and contrasting the things we read. Our spelling words focused on the long o, long u, and long e. We learned that we can read long words by breaking them into syllables and finding the magic e that makes the vowel into a long vowel. For grammar we learned the proper way to use is and are. Next week we will focus on reviewing the spelling and sight words we had since the beginning of the year. There will be a test on Thursday 12/21.

For math, we used Monday and Tuesday to review all the concepts we learned in chapter 6. We took a review test and did three independent handouts to complete. On Wednesday we took our chapter 6 test. That same day we began chapter 7. The first few lessons focused on greater than or less than with numbers bigger than 10. We used the symbols (<|>) to represent greater and less. We will stop here for math and pick back up in January. Next week will be a review of adding, subtracting, tens and ones.

In science, we started a new lesson. We learned about stars and the tools we use to see things in the sky. We learned that our sun is a star and the closest one to our planet. This is why our planet has light. We can see the other stars in the night sky but not in the day. We can use telescopes to see stars, planets, and the moon. Other tools we can use to make things bigger is a microscope and magnifier. We did a fun experiment where we used magnifier glass to see different things closely. Next week we will learn about the holidays around the world.

Have a lovely weekend,

Ms. Adriana