

Upcoming Events

December 7: Holiday formal dress up day

December 8: Denim and Christmas hats for caroling with Titan buddies.

December 15 – Classroom winter parties – Await further details from your classroom teacher.

December 18-January 3 – Winter Break

Here's a look at the week ahead:

Spelling

We will enter List 9 and test on the words of List 9 on Friday, December 8.

Math

Lessons 6-5 through 6-7, Monday through Wednesday, respectively. The math test on chapter 6 will be on Thursday, December 7.

History

We'll cover the Popes that ruled from Vatican City in Rome, as well as the Medici family that ruled from the city-state of Florence.

Science

We will study changes in our Ecosystems and then review for the science unit test that will be given on December 13 (Barrett/Warchol) and 14 (Walker/Carlson).

Writing

We continue our unit on Writing from Pictures, following the Story Sequence Chart.

Literature

Mrs. Frisby and the Rats of NIMH, by Robert C. O'Brien, chapters 5-8. We are also doing a read aloud of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol.

Geography

The test on the Western and Southwestern regions states, capitals, and postal codes will be on Friday, December 8. Subsequent tests will be held as follows: Midwest (Jan. 26), South (March 8), Northeast (April 5), and the All 50 states/capitals test will be on May 2. Study early, study often.

Poetry/Recitation

We will begin memorizing the familiar poem, *The Arrow and the Song*, by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. Recitation will be completed during the week of December 11.

Character Corner

The character trait which we will be focusing on for the month of December is HOPE, which is defined as having an expectation of the best in the future and believing that a good future is something that may be brought about by hard work and perseverance.

