Here's the update for **kindergarten**!

On Tuesday, November 24th, all kindergarten classrooms participated in a Thanksgiving Feast!  Some classrooms prepared the food that day, while others had generous food donations from parents.  The students enjoyed such foods as turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, corn bread, veggies and dip, and desserts!  We are thankful for all the parent help that enabled us to have a successful event!

Last week, the students enjoyed the book fair that was sponsored by PTO.  A big thank you to Matt Ballard AND all of those parents that volunteered to help throughout the event!   Many of the students also visited the Holiday Shop that was held this past Saturday along with the book fair.  It was a great opportunity for the children to buy presents for family members at affordable prices.  A big thank you to Stacy Fink AND all of those parents that volunteered to help with this event.

We are looking forward to the first popcorn sale this week!   Happy Holidays, parents!

**First Grade** Update~

   Thank you PTO for a lovely day Saturday!  The children loved the visit with Santa!  The book fair was a huge hit!  It was awesome to see the children excited about reading!

     This past month, first grade has been working really hard in all subjects.  In reading, we have been studying main idea, setting, and characters.  In math, we have been learning all the different ways to subtract.

      The children are getting extremely excited for our winter holiday parties and break.  The excitement in their eyes is refreshing!   Thank you for all you do, PTO!

The **second grade** is studying "Holiday's around the World" for the next few weeks.  We're learning about different cultures and traditions from other countries.   We are excited to start Junior Achievement in January after our break.  A volunteer will join us weekly to teach about economics.  The children continue to work hard on writing and reading skills!

**Third grade** is working on multiplication patterns and division in Math, plot sequence, problem and solution, as well as figurative language and synonyms in Reading.  In Social Studies, the students are working on topics like map skills, cultures, and history.  In Science, the students are working on topics like rocks, types of matter, and the design process.  In Spelling and English Grammar, the kids are working on R-controlled vowels and blends mixed with diagraphs.  They have also worked on possessive nouns and action verbs.  They are working on narrative and persuasive writing as well.  They all need to continue working on informational (nonfiction) text for Reading and acquiring more and more vocabulary!

**Grade four** is busy finishing up division and learning patterns and sequence in math. We are reading about fantasy and creating poems in reading. Social studies is all about the Native Americans and losing their land. Science is covering fossils, sediment, extinction and ecosystems. Remember to read nightly and practice math facts!

Here is what **5th grade** is up to...

ELA - reading about Christmas around the world, reinforcing main idea and key details

MATH - multiplying and dividing decimals

ADVANCED MATH (Brody) - fractions, decimals, and percents

SCIENCE - classifying organisms

SOCIAL STUDIES - basics business through the cookie project

EXTRA CURRICULAR - Abe Lincoln play, Fictional writing- "Trapped in a snow globe",

Mrs. Hinton - Just sent out our classroom book to be published, expository text. "Ohio Cities from A to Z"