## December

The holiday season is upon us as we greet the month of December!

<u>Festive Spectacular</u>: This year our Christmas concert will be held on Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. The students will be singing a variety of songs that night. Family members are encouraged to come to show their support for all the hard work the students have put into getting ready for this very exciting night.

<u>Reading</u>: Several reading strategies have been reviewed over the past few weeks. A picture of our 'Cross-Check' chart has been sent home to be used while reading. This picture is intended to be used as a reference when your child has difficulty reading a particular word. Please remind them of the steps shown in this picture. To improve comprehension, the students have continued to work on retelling with detail. They have also been using clues within a text to make predictions.

<u>Writing</u>: We have begun working on persuasive writing in which the students give support for their opinions on a variety of topics. As a class, we have worked on providing convincing reasons to have a longer recess. Next, we will move into making a decision as to which animal would make a great pet and why.

<u>Math</u>: We have been working on our unit, 'Data Management', in which the students collect and organize data. They will display their data using a variety of graphs and then describe their findings.

<u>Homework</u>: Please remind your child that Word Work Homework is due each Monday and Reading Homework is due on Fridays. Your support with this is a huge benefit to your child's learning.

Thanks again for all your support! Mrs. Cofell