

# NEWSLETTER

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Anchorage

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## Spelling/Vocabulary:

The words this week will come from our Journeys' series - lesson 7. The spelling/vocabulary test is Friday, December 13th, 2019.

- entertaining
- promote
- focus
- advertise
- jolts
- loquacious
- \* critics
- \* target
- \* thrilling
- \* angles
- \* generate
- \* clandestine

## Math:

Over the next couple of weeks in math we will continue identifying factors of a number. We will also be determining if a whole number is a multiple of another whole number. We will be deciding if a number is prime or composite, and proving it with words and numbers. We will then move back into long division where we will work with larger dividends. Finally, we will be solving word problems involving division and multiplication.

## Science:

We will be finishing our Earth Science Unit in the next week and a half. We will be analyzing and interpreting data from maps to describe patterns of Earth's surface. We will also be learning about how energy and fuels are derived from natural resources. We will be having our unit test on Tuesday December 10<sup>th</sup>. A study guide will be sent home this week to help students prepare.

## Reading:

This week in reading, students will learn how to make inferences about characters by analyzing the author's purpose. Additionally, students will understand how evidence is combined with personal knowledge and experience to make a logical guess or inference. We will analyze William Blake's "The Echoing Green" and Robert Louis Stevenson's "The Land of Nod."

## Upcoming Dates:

Thursday, December 12th Field Trip to Stage  
Thursday, December 12th K-8th Holiday Concert  
Saturday, December 14th Christmas in Anchorage  
Monday, December 23rd - January 3rd Holiday Break

## Social Studies:

Students will continue researching with partners on their assigned United States Region. They will be finishing up their assigned Google slide presentations. They will be sharing these presentations with the class once they are finished.

## Writing/Grammar:

Students will continue to use the 3.8 paragraph format to write this week. They will start the week off by writing a reflective paragraph about their Thanksgiving Break. We will be focusing on the writing trait of voice this week. We will be looking at examples of voice in both narrative and expository writing. Students will be writing short pieces in which they intentionally focus on the tone, personality, and emotion of the piece in order to increase the voice of that piece. In addition, students will take part in a student-led discussion on the final excerpt of Top Chicken.

## **WISH LIST:**

**We are in need of dry erase markers to use during math class! THANKS!**