



December 1, 2010

Dear parents,

Our Holiday party will be on Wednesday, December 22 from 2:30-3:30. We will have a class gift exchange. The price of the gift should be around \$3.00. Girls should bring a gift for a girl and boys should bring a gift for a boy. Please mark the present girl or boy and have your child sign their name.

In social studies, we are working on an American history unit. Students have created a timeline of key events to help understand the passage of time between events. We are presently studying the Revolutionary War period. Mrs. Kill has enjoyed wearing King George's crown and telling her subjects about all the new taxes they have to pay. The students wrote letters to King George, letting him know they did not appreciate "taxation without representation." We have been busy reading a number of nonfiction and historical fiction books covering a number of American history topics.

Our new science unit is Air and Weather. Students are looking for evidence that air is matter. They are exploring the properties of air using plastic syringes and tubing. They are observing how air can be captured and compressed. We are also observing the daily weather conditions such as precipitation, temperature, cloud cover, wind speed and wind direction. You can help at home by discussing the daily weather report.

Students are doing a great job of making their Accelerated Reader monthly goals. Good readers make great students. Daily reading practice makes a significant difference in your child's achievement. Thank you for supporting reading at home.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Kill

