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KAMRADT'S COMMENTARY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2011

SCHOOL DAYS

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COOL TOOL

Next week's
cool tool is:

Getting along
with others

This week at school we got into the Christmas spirit by decorating our tree, reading stories, and making decorations for Casey's. The children's work will be displayed at Casey's and all first graders will be receiving a pizza party for helping spread holiday cheer!

During writing time students worked on a persuasive writing piece dealing with cats and dogs. Students chose which animal they thought would make a better pet, and then worked with a group and independently to create a list of reasons why their animal would be the better choice. The children came up with many convincing arguments for each side. However, most switched over to the dog lover side when Mrs. Henry brought in 3 Pomeranian puppies to share with our class! Also this week at school, we finished up our chapter on subtraction and began our unit on geometry and fractions. Students will be learning how to identify plane shapes, solid figures, as well as how to make simple fractions. We also began our science unit that deals with all kinds of animals. Students learned the animal categories: mammal, fish, bird, reptile, insect, and amphibian. We will continue work with each of these new units through the month of December.

For our Holiday party this year we will be having a gift exchange. Boys need to bring in a wrapped gift suitable for a boy, and girls should bring in a gift appropriate for a girl. On the tag please write To: Boy or To: Girl. The cost should be **no more than \$4.00**. Please have wrapped gifts in by **MONDAY, DECEMBER 19**. If your family is unable to purchase a gift, please let me know as soon as possible so other arrangements can be made. When looking for an inexpensive gift, small toys from Dollar General, Wal-Mart, or McDonald's gift certificates are always favorites. Please help teach your child that Christmas is about kindness, love, and giving, not just presents. Also, speak with your child about how to receive a gift using manners. This is a wonderful teaching opportunity to show kindness and respectful behavior.

VOCABULARY

EXPLAIN

SUPPORT

IMPORTANT DATES

- Thursday, December 8 Toys for Tots Deadline
- Tuesday, December 20 PBIS Bubble Gum Blowing Contest
- Wednesday, December 21
Celebration for knowing all Primer Sight Words
Holiday Party 1:00, Early Dismissal 2:05

TEACH-N-TELL

MONDAY

Haley & Anna

TUESDAY

Annah & Josh

WEDNESDAY

Erin & Dylan

THURSDAY

Gavin & Andrew