

Mrs. Bushmann's First Grade Flight Notes

1st grade

Lee Expressive Arts School Dec. 8, 2017

Important Dates

Wednesday, Dec. 14 11:20-1 Walking field trip to Chancellor's House

Dec. 14th Shakespeare's Pizza fundraiser for 1st grade all day

Friday, Dec 15th Elf at 6:30 Free admission PTA movie night at school

Wed. Dec. 20 1:00 All-school spelling bee

Dec. 22nd-Jan. 3rd No school-winter break

Jan. 3 10-3 Going Bonkers fundraiser

> Tuesday, Jan. 9 6 pm PTA meeting

Monday, Jan. 15 No School MLK Day Next Thursday, Dec. 14th we will walk to the chancellor's house right after lunch at 11:30 and sing on the MU campus. We'll then tour the Chancellor's house and see our Missouri Birds hanging there. I'll let you know if you want to come hear us sing on campus, but we will sing those same songs for you on the 21st. Unfortunately the Chancellor's house is too small for us to be able to invite parents to go along. Your child should wear their nice Sunday clothes with comfy walking shoes—festive winter wear is perfect.

Winter Fun at Lee

Save the schedule in this week's folder and have your child join in the fun. It's sure to make the days before break a bit more fun and engaging.

Capstone and EPIC! Book apps. Please be sure to read the enclosed flyer in this week's Friday folder to find out more about these great on-line children's book apps.

Don't forget to send in 19 small items to help fill our stocking caps. We will do this instead of a traditional winter holiday party. I appreciate the contributions we've already received.

Shakespeare's Pizza 1st grade fundraiser

Please tell your family and friends to go to any Shakespeares location on **Thursday**, **Dec. 14th.** It's an all day fundraiser so go for lunch AND dinner! Save the flyer in this week's folder and feel free to photograph and share with family and friends too! Thanks for supporting our PTA!

> Be sure to have this date on your calendar! You won't want to miss it! Thursday, Dec. 21 9:45 a.m. to 11 a.m. Winter Fairy Tale performance

Congratulations to **Sophia**, **Evela and Prakriti** who will represent our class in the school spelling bee!

Scholastic Book Order

Go online and order books for Christmas gifts. **Deadline to order is Sunday, Dec. 10th** Our class code is LWBR9 **Reading:** We are focusing on character, setting, dilemma and solution as we integrate and study fairy tales. Ask your child what a dilemma is. We will start practicing for fluency as we begin working on our Reader's Theaters plays.

Writing: The children have been working on a narrative piece of art. We can't wait to share them with you when you come for our performance on Thursday, Dec. 21st.

Math: In Unit 4 our big idea is measurement and how to do that correctly. We learned how to make a math "argument" and learned that defending your answer is another way to argue and it's not bad!

Science: We have completed our bone unit. The children worked hard to figure out that our mystery bones came from a frog. Our animal this week is a Polar Bear.

Word Study: We will begin with a review of short vowels, being sure every word has a vowel (syllable too!) and that it's the correct vowel. We have done short a, I and o and will move on to u.

School Arrival and Dismissal

Remember that the children are allowed into the building at **7:35**. There is no supervision before this time. **The tardy bell rings at 7:55**. That is the official start time to our day. If your child is a parent drop-off in the morning and you would like to have them eat breakfast you should plan to drop them as close to 7:35 as possible. This way they have time to eat their breakfast and be ready to learn at the start of our day. All children are expected to be here by then or they will be marked absent or tardy. We will dismiss buses first this year at 2:50 and then parent

SNACKS

We could use any donations of **snacks** that you would like to send. Snack suggestions are: graham crackers, cheese crackers, goldfish, Chex Mix, pretzels, grapes, apples, pudding, etc. I appreciate you helping out with this. If each family would send a snack for our class once a month, we would have enough. We have 19 students.

You might want to label and send a light jacket to school that could hang on your child's hook. It is quite lovely with the new air-conditioning, but several of the children found it to be colder than they are comfortable.

Questions? Concerns?

Please call me at school at 214-3530. I am always here by 7:15 and I stay until 3:15 (usually later, but always til then). You may call me at home at 445-3942. Email is also a great way to contact me. I read it several times a day. I have an open door policy and parents are welcome to visit anytime. Lottie Bushmann |bushmann@cpsk12.org