

December 5, 2019

Dear 4th grade families,

I hope you all had a blessed Thanksgiving week and Happy Advent! I am so thankful for your children and all of you!! What a great week we had!! I give your children credit for working so hard when there is so much excitement going on. They really have been doing well!! We have many fun things happening during Advent! Today we had St. Nicholas visit us. Thank you for all your donations!!

One activity, to tie in with our studies of New York State history, is making some homemade gifts for our classroom Christmas gift exchange. There will be no need to purchase gifts to exchange with other students. However, if anyone has any old-fashioned looking (like simple, dull, pastel, muted colored or white) cotton fabric scraps, ribbon, or yarn that you want to get rid of, would you be willing to send them in with your child? We also could use a few bottles of Elmer's glue. Thank you so much for your help with this!

The students have been working very hard on their multiplication facts. We have set up a new account on Splash Math that will give them a chance to practice the facts. Below is the classroom code that they need to practice at home if they wish to. The other code below is if they would like to do the regular Splash Math work that we started before. They will also need their individual passwords for each. (The class codes will change each month.)

Splash Math Facts Code: WQLJBF

Splash Math Regular Work Code: ONNJMV

The students have been having so much fun being Rock Detectives and trying to figure out which rock is which in our collection. We did some testing of minerals and identified many properties that helped us identify some of them. They have been learning all about the Native Americans who lived in our area and their cultures.

Next week is our Christmas Concert on Thursday and our ice-skating field trip on Friday among other things. Again, I want to thank the students for their hard work and you for all your support! Remember to breathe and may you feel God's peace through this busy time.

Have a great weekend!

Sue Cleary