The Kinkaid School
FIRST GRADE NOTES
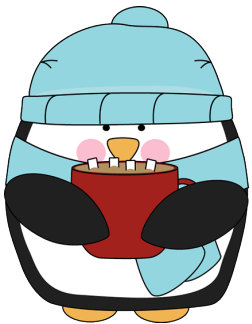## December 2019

Dear First Grade Families,

During this holiday season, we wish you…

Nights of staying up late …
Along with mornings of sleeping in,
Books so good you want to hear them over and over again,
Time to play your favorite games with family and friends,
Mugs of hot chocolate with cookies,
Drawings you must hang up,
Many moments you must jot down
And plenty of time to go on adventures!

Thank you for filling our days with joy.

Love,
Ms. Brown
Mrs. Lewis
Ms. Sidora
Mrs. Thompson
Mrs. Weeks

HELP NEEDED:
Please send empty paper towel rolls to school for an upcoming math project. Thank you!

Important Upcoming Dates
- **Fri., Dec. 6**: Homeroom Pictures (wear dress uniform)
- **Fri., Dec. 20:** First & Second Grade Singing & Sharing performance at 9:15 in Brown Auditorium
  o Students will wear festive holiday attire & dress shoes. Students will be dismissed after their performance.
- **Dec. 23 - Jan. 6**: Winter Holidays
- **Tuesday, Jan. 7, 2020**: School Resumes

SAVE THE DATE
The First Grade Grandparents/Special Friends Program will be on **Friday, May 8, 2020**. First Graders will send a handwritten invitation to their grandparents closer to date. Parents are invited to attend as well. ☺

What We're Learning About!

Reading/Social Studies:
- United States symbols
- Celebrations Around the World
  -First Graders will rotate to all five teachers to learn about holiday traditions in Mexico, Israel, Sweden, Germany, and England.

Writing:
- Nonfiction writing about celebrations around the world
- Holiday/U.S. symbol writing

Spelling:
-December 2: The (o) sound in the initial or medial position of a one syllable base word= o-consonant-e (ex: rope)
-Week of Dec. 9 & Dec. 16: No spelling

Math:
- Using combinations of 10 to help add and subtract
- Greater than, less than, equal to (use <, >, = within number models)
- Comparison Number stories
- Place Value
  o Ones and tens place
  o Understanding the relationship of tens and ones by exchanging pennies and dimes