December News

Second Grade December 10 - 14

**MicroSociety News**

* We will have our Christmas Party on Friday, December 21. **Please send $3 to help with the cost of the party**.
* We will have a Polar Express Party on Thursday, December 20. Students will be allowed to wear school-appropriate pajamas to school that day.
* Christmas Break will be from December 22 – January 6. NO SCHOOL on those days.

**Word Study**

Students will be studying about the R-controlled vowels EER, EAR
**Feature Words:**hear, steer, dear, deer, clear, peer, cheer, shear, near, spear

 **Sight Words:**most, very, give, after, things

Test on Friday, December 14

**This Week’s Focus**

**Reading:** Students will be learning the lingo of a topic in Non-fiction texts. Students will continue center rotations while the teacher works with small groups on specific phonics skills based on individual needs.

**Vocabulary:** natural forces, ocean, plain, plateau, river, valley, body of water, hill, island, landform, lake, mountain

**Writing**: Students will continue working on Informative writing.
**Math:** Students will begin Module 4: Addition and Subtraction within 200 with Word Problems to 100.

**Science:** Students will study about fast-occurring events that shape the Earth, such as volcanoes, earthquakes, and tsunamis.

**Vocabulary**

**natural forces** – the Earth’s forces (weather, natural disasters, water) that create landforms

**ocean** – a large body of salt water surrounding a continent

**plain** – a large, flat area of land

**plateau** – a raised area of land that is flat on top

**river** – a flowing body of water that empties into a sea or ocean

**valley** – a low place between mountains or hills

**body of water** – a landform filled with water

**hill** – a raised mound of land

**island** – a piece of land surround by water

**landform** – any shape in the land

**lake** – a body of water surrounded by land

**mountain** – a very tall land form with steep sides and a peak