



# Jackson Memorial Elementary School News January 2014



1<sup>st</sup> grade has been doing a lot of learning and growing! Our reading skill development is right on track! We are very proud of our GREAT readers! In math, we loved learning about graphs - it was so much fun and tasty too! And now, we are moving right onto subtraction. In Social Studies, we learned a lot about wants & needs and we have a lot of WANTS on our Christmas list! We are looking forward to seeing our students continue to learn and grow!

Third Graders are continuing to work on reading strategies to improve comprehension. In Social Studies we have been learning about explorers, and in Science we just finished a unit on the Moon. Math has been all about measurement! Please continue to study multiplication facts nightly. Please send recorder money as soon as possible, if you have not already. Thank you for your continued support! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

The Virginia Writing SOL test is right around the corner in March. Fifth graders have been concentrating on spelling words correctly, using punctuation, and writing essays. Please encourage them to use these skills in their everyday writing. We know they will do great! 😊

3rd, 4th, and 5th Grades will be (re)starting their study of the woodwind family through the recorder in January. Students who have not paid for their recorder will not be able to play! New recorder packages are \$4.50 and include an instructional book.

Mr. Belzer



For safety reasons, it is very important that students wear tennis shoes on the days that they have P.E. Thank you for helping to ensure your child's safety.



## DATES TO REMEMBER

1/4 - Students Return to school

1/14 - Early Dismissal

1/14 - End of the 3<sup>rd</sup> six weeks



**ATTENTION!** Do not line up for Parent Pick-up before 2:40 p.m. Riders are not dismissed until 3:15 p.m.



**Please keep your child's lunch account balance current.** All monies for charges for breakfast/lunch are to be sent to the office in a separate envelope.