Dear First Grade Families,

I hope you are all staying safe and warm during this blast of winter weather!

**Christmas Concert:**

This **Tuesday, December 20t**h is our Christmas concert. There will be a dress rehearsal during the day at 2:00 in the High School Gym. The evening concert is at 7:00pm. Please have your child to the classroom by 6:45. I am looking forward to the concert! I hope to see you all there.

**Polar Express Pajama Celebration:**

Next Thursday we will have our Christmas Polar Express celebration. The children may wear their pajamas to school that day. In the afternoon we will enjoy some hot chocolate and popcorn and watch the Polar Express.

**Book Exchange:**

We will be having a book exchange on Thursday also. Please purchase or choose a gently used book from home to wrap up and give to another child. Do not put a name on the gift. We will put the gifts in the middle of the circle and draw numbers to choose a book! The children love getting their new books every year.

**Playground:**

Our playground will be getting some new equipment this Spring! Please read the letter in this folder about the changes coming. We are so excited to update our playground!

**Spelling:** We will have one more spelling unit before Christmas break. Please practice these words at home as each week they are getting more challenging!

**HOMEWORK: In January first grade will be starting weekly homework. Your child’s first homework bag will go home the first Friday after break with instructions on how to help them. They usually love starting homework and will be excited to read their favorite books to you at home!**

**Have a safe, warm weekend! Mrs. Yetter**