**Homework 12/17- 12/21**

**Monday:**

* Reading: Read at least 20 minutes- fill in reading log
  + Write a book review for a book you read this week (due by Friday).
* Math: iXL G.7
  + Optional G.2

**Tuesday:**

* Reading: Read at least 20 minutes
* Word Study: Spelling City

**Wednesday:**

* Reading: Read at least 20 minutes- fill in reading log
* Math: A.13
  + Optional Review- A.7

**Thursday:**

* Reading: Read at least 20 minutes
  + Discuss (no written assignment) What is/was your favorite part in the book? Why? Would you recommend this book to someone else? Why? **\*Think OREO\* (Opinion, Reason, Example, Opinion restated)**
    - Bonus: Can you persuade someone to want to read your book?
* Word Study: Spelling City
  + Optional iXL: E.1

**Friday: Spell Check, 1:00PM day**

* Reading: Read at least 20 minutes- fill in reading log
* Math: Identify the place value of numbers you see in your environment
  + Numbers in a telephone number, address, price, etc.

**We wish your family a wonderful break and a Happy New Year!**

This week in Second Grade…

In Reading workshop this week, we will be reading several different Gingerbread stories and learning to compare and contrast these stories for similarities and differences.Students will be using Spelling City this week. We will have our spell check on Friday morning.

In Writing, we are writing holiday/winter themed persuasive writing pieces. Students will be completing an organizer, creating a rough draft, and a final copy. Later this week, students will create a craft that corresponds with their writing activity.

In Math, we are wrapping up working on building our number sense through mental addition strategies as well as learning to explain our math thinking. We will review this when we get back from break since the strategies we have learned are the foundation to bigger/harder problems. This week and over break, students can review previously learned topics on iXL, look for arrays around the house/town, and practice counting up and backwards using different patterns. These skills can be sharpened by practicing different counting patterns (Popcorn Game) such as 2’s, 3’s, 5’s 10’s etc. and even more creative patterns.

Science projects will be coming home by the end of the week.

Students should continue to fill out their reading logs. This reading log can be kept at home, or in their folder if it is easier, and should be filled out each day that the student reads. When the log is completed, they should bring the log back to school to receive a small prize. Student can log two different times a day for reading, as long as the reading was for at least 20 minutes. It is important to have discussions about the books to increase comprehension. Types of questions could be *who were the characters, what was your favorite part, what was the story about, what facts did you learn, what do you think will happen next, how would you change the book, where did the book take place, how would you feel if this happened to you etc.* Students should be coming home with their book buddy bags so they can be reading books on their level at home as well as in the classroom.

Our website is <http://vollmar2hcs.weebly.com/>. On the website, you will find homework, extra activities and websites and pictures of things we do in the classroom ☺

Winter Break Homework Ideas- write journal entries about your break, make and practice flashcards, create as many words as you can from Winter Break/Happy Holidays/Happy New Year/ Seasons Greeting, read on Razz Kids, and use our website & old homework for other ideas ☺

Have a joyful week!!!