***Matts Memos***

***November 27th – December 1st, 2017***

***\*Welcome back-*** I hope your Thanksgiving break was filled with great times and memories that will last a lifetime. ☺

***\*\*Homework-*** The Matts Menu, Reading Log, and Weekly Comprehension will be due on Friday. In lieu of a reading summary this week, please have your children find a scientific current event. See the paper that is coming home today. The article they found needs to be attached to the current event paper. We discussed this in class, so the children should have a good idea of what they are being asked to do.

***\*\*Spelling-*** Please be sure you are helping your children review the meaning of the spelling words each night when they are studying. It has come to my attention that some of the children are just copying the words without being able to actually read them or understand their meaning. We review the words on Fridays when the children first receive them, as well as Monday before marking them. We also try and use the words as much as possible throughout the week. Please have your children practice reading the words out loud each night and discuss the definitions of unfamiliar words. Also please be sure your children are doing their homework neatly and with the proper heading for each assignment. It is important that the children understand that we all have the same expectations.

**Example of heading:**

Amber Matts

November 15th, 2037

ABC order – 2 points

***\*\*\*Math Flashcards-*** It is very important that you are continuing to practice the math flashcards at home (multiplication as well as addition and subtraction)! Please continue to practice these skills over the holiday break that is soon coming. Double and triple digit multiplication and long division will come a lot easier to the children if they know their basic math facts. I am checking their log sheets in their purple folders frequently! ***Please remember that the math log count as a math grade.***

***\*\*\*\*HLA Holiday Program –*** We are working very hard in 4th grade to practice our Holiday Program songs for your enjoyment on December 14th, at 6:00. Please feel free to invite your family and friends for a fun filled evening. Do not forget to bring some lawn chairs or blankets to sit on. ☺

***\*\*\*\*\*Tip of the week* - The holiday season is underway.  Try starting a family tradition around exercise to have a happy, healthy holiday season.**

***Spelling List***

 ***(OA and OW as long o sound)***

crossroad encroachment overloading poaching coastline

marshmallow rainbow undergrowth overshadow foreshadow

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 \*\*This section is for you! Please feel free to write any questions/comments/concerns you may have for me in this space. **Please sign and return so I’ll know you have read this newsletter.**

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