**January 4, 2019**

**Welcome Back!!!**

**I hope that each and every one of you enjoyed the winter holiday break, and were able to spend quality time surrounded by friends and family.**

**With the new year comes a new grading period. This Friday, January 11th, marks the end of our first semester. That means that everyone gets a fresh start. Middle schools, and I, will be looking to see improvements from each of my scholars, so this is the time to put forth the effort necessary to be successful, regardless of what may or may not have been accomplished earlier this year. We have a lot to cover before FSA testing, so everyone needs to be prepared to work hard as we enter the second semester!**

**Parents, please keep working on helping your children with math facts, and always check your child’s agenda for homework assignments and upcoming projects!**

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| **When we return from break, this is what we’ll be studying:**  **SS: Students will learn about European countries colonizing the Americas (Chapter 3).**  **ELA: We will be focused on sequence of events, verbs (main, helping, irregular, and subject-verb agreement), and the prefix, “intra-.” Our story in the textbook is *Tucket’s Travels*.**  **Math: We are continuing Ch. 6, which involves multiplying and dividing decimals.**  **Science: Students will begin to study Earth and Space (Chapter 3).** |
| **Word of the Week:**  **We won’t know our “Word of the Week” until we return from Winter Break. However, I feel we should all have gratitude for the time we got to spend with our loved ones.** |
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**If students want to get a start on marking their spelling words, that would be great. If not, we will pass out index cards and work as a class to mark them when we return to school on Monday.**

**hypothetical skeptical psychological mythical hysterical**

**symmetrical botanical alphabetical spherical cylindrical**

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I have read the January 4 edition of *The Becker Bulletin*

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#### Spelling

**Reminders**

**Club Day:**

**HLA will be engaging in our first-ever “Club Day” this Friday, January 11th, from 12:45-1:45. Before our winter break, students signed up to participate in a club of their choice. After every three meetings, students will be able to choose a new activity. I’ll be teaching chess!**

**Day Off:**

**Don’t forget that we have Monday, January 21st off to observe Martin Luther King Day!**

#### Miscellaneous

#### The Week In Review



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