December News
from Mrs. Gallison’s Class

It was great to talk with most of you last week about how much your children are learning and growing! Remember, feel free to call or email me anytime!

We’re kicking off the holiday season!! We’ve been reading some Christmas stories and tomorrow will make a Christmas tree puppet. We are having a schoolwide door decorating contest! Stay tuned to the Canaan PTF Facebook group for a chance to vote next week! Such fun!

Next week, we will learn about how other countries celebrate Christmas, Hanukkah, and Kwanzaa.

The last week and a half before vacation, we will have lots of fun with gingerbread activities. We will read many different versions of The Gingerbread Man; our literacy activities and Math stations will be tied in. We will make gingerbread houses with Ms. McKechnie’s class on Dec 17. Then, on Dec 21, we will finish by decorating gingerbread men!

In Math, we have started a topic on Addition, learning to “join”, add, numbers. I am amazed at the awesome mathematicians they are! They are picking it up crazy quick! Our next topic will be subtraction.

Winter is definitely upon us and it is important that students are properly dressed. They need to wear boots but have some other footwear to change into for the classroom. They can leave an extra/old pair of sneakers here at school so they don’t have to carry them back and forth. Snow pants and boots are vital on these cold days. Without them, when there is snow, the students have to stay on the tar at recess, and cannot enjoy the playground and snow fun. It is also important for children to be able to dress themselves. Please have your child practice putting on and taking off their winter wear.

We are blessed with a friend who sends gifts to the Canaan Kindergarteners each month. This month she was super generous and your child will receive something extra special!
We will have a classroom Christmas party on Wednesday, Dec. 22. We will have refreshments that day.

Upcoming Events:

12/3 School t-shirt orders are due.
12/8 Early Release Day
12/22 Classroom Christmas Party
12/23-1/1 Christmas Vacation
1/3 Return to school

With changing out of boots twice a day, Miss Kendra and I will be tying LOTS of shoes. Please try to work on this with your child.

Christmas vacation begins on December 23 and we return to school on January 3. Enjoy this time with your child. Please try to have them do some reading, writing and counting over the break. It makes the transition back to school in January much easier. 😊

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

****Any donations of hand sanitizer would be greatly appreciated!