Literacy

**Dates to Remember**

* Friday, December 7th 2018: ALL staff and students will form a paper chain outside of their classrooms in recognition Dots for Kids Day (mental health)
* Thursday, December 13th 2018: Christmas Concert 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
* Thursday, December 20th 2018: Christmas Dinner for those that ordered online

**Literacy**

In Literacy, this week we will continue to practice finding the **Main Idea** of a Reading Passage. Later in the week we will move onto deciding what the **THEME** of a Reading Passage is.

In Grammar, we will continue with our Grammar warm ups.

Students will learn how to join to sentences together two sentences by using Conjunctions.

In Writing, we will be focusing on including **Paragraphs** in our writing. Presently, most students writing consists of on long paragraph.

Please remind your child to read for 20 minutes every night. What they read is totally up to them!

**Math**

We will continue practicing subtraction with borrowing. More specifically, subtracting when borrowing using zeroes is required. Hopefully, by the end of this week students will feel they have mastered subtracting when borrowing is required involving zeroes. If there is time we will move onto **MULTIPLICATION.**

Students should have mastered their multiplication facts by now. It is important to keep practicing multiplication facts.

**Health**

Last week we started exploring Self-Regulation. Students practiced strategies to use when they felt like a volcano and were going to “erupt”. WE practiced deep belly laughing for 10 seconds, making silly faces for 10 seconds, making slow movements with their bodies. These are all strategies to use in the privacy of one’s home, more specifically when alone and trying to calm down. These strategies do work!

We will continue to learn about self regulation.

**Science**

Last week, students were given the ingredients to grow their own CRYSTALS. This week we will make Science Journal entries regarding our observations regarding the growth of the Crystals. Students will learn the proper format for conducting and documenting scientific experiments.

**Social Studies**

We continue learning about Explorers. This week students will be asked to select an explorer and complete a small project, in poster form, on that explorer. Guidelines / expectations will be shared early this week. **This is an at school project**. However, students are encouraged to research their assigned explorer at home and bring the materials to school. They could go to the Public Library and find a book on the explorer/ research using a computer, print off information. Stay tuned for more information.