## WHO's" got the news? Mrs. Calmes' Newsletter

## Check out what's happening...

Happy 2015! I hope that all of the students had a restful break! I enjoyed the time with my family and am looking forward to seeing the kids and jumping back into the routine of school.

As we begin 2015, we will work on perfecting the skills that we learned during the 1st and 2nd quarter of kindergarten.
Students will begin to use a rubric to check their sentences to make sure it is a 4 smiley face sentence. We will also continue to add to our growing list of sight words and hunks and chunks. In math we will review addition and begin working on subtraction!
Welcome back rangers!

## Content Updates...

**Reading:** We will be reading <u>If You Could</u> <u>go to Antarctica</u> and <u>Penguins</u>. We will be identifying the main idea of these stories and recalling information from the text to give facts about Antarctica and Penguins.

Math: In math we will review addition and strategies that we can use to solve addition problems. We will also be working on solving addition story problems and drawing and solving our own story problems.

Phonics/Sight words: This week we will be reading and writing words that contain the letter f. We will also learn the chant for the hunk and chunk -ay.

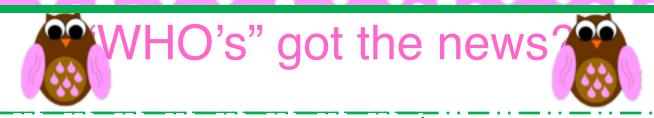
Social Studies: This week we will begin our 2 week study on maps and globes. This week we will learn about maps, what they are used for and how to use a map key and compass.

Dates to give a HOOT about...

January 5th-Teacher records day, No School
January 9th- Schoology is updated with 2nd
quarter grades
January 19th- No school, MLK Day
January 20th- No school, Teacher in-service

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- Reminders...
- Homework folders, will be sent home on Tuesday. If your child did not return theirs before break, please make sure they bring it in on Tuesday. Homework always goes home on Mondays or the day after a break, if your child did not return their homework, their homework will be in their communication folder.
- You can find the January snack calendar on the class website.
- Please make sure your child is dressed for outdoor recess, if there is snow on the ground they will need boots to play in the snow.
- Now that we are getting into colder temps and snowier weather, if there is a cancelation please make sure to have your child complete their homework, read and practice their sight words.
- The 3rd quarter special on Fridays will be library. Students will only check out books on Wednesday and their books will not be due until the following Wednesday.
- Schoology will be updated by Friday with 2nd quarter grades. I will be also sending home a check list of the skills your child has mastered so you can help your child at home too.

Who, Who, Can...
These are the "I can" statements we will be working on this week!

- I can read the sight words.
- I can read and write three letter words.
- I can use a variety of strategies to solve addition problems to 5.
- I can identify the main idea of a story.
- I can write a four smiley face sentence.



## **Activity Schedule**

Monday: Music Tuesday: PE Wednesday: Library Thursday: Art Friday: Library