***Mrs. Potter's Homeroom News***

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* Math: Student will continue solving word problems involving multiplication. This reviews the basic multiplication facts. Your child should be working at home daily on their multiplication facts 0 – 10 if they are not mastered as this is a 3rd grade skill. Also, they can practice their division facts which are reviewed after multiplication.
* Spelling: New groups have been formed based on how your child performed on the middle of year Words Their Way Assessment. Our next test will be this Friday, January 11, 2019.
* Reading: We will begin the middle of year Diagnostic Reading Assessments (DRA’s) this week. This assessment is given individually to each child, so testing will take place throughout the month of January.

The AR reading goal for the month of January is 7 points. Your child should be reading 30+ minutes each day at home to help meet this goal. This goal does count toward the overall reading grade.

* Science: Students continue to learn about the engineering process. They have designed simple hearing enhancing devices with their group using criteria and constraints. This unit will be ending in a couple of weeks. There will be an assessment at that time.
* Social Studies: Students finished their Cassopolis Research Reports before Christmas break and are working with their groups on using the information gathered in brochures/placemats to be distributed in Cassopolis. This project included the subjects of Reading and Writing as well as Social Studies.
* NWEA: The middle of year NWEA testing window has been set from January 14 – January 25, 2019. Our class is scheduled to test on 1/15/19 (Math), 1/18/19 (Reading), and 1/22/19 (Science). Make-up testing will be scheduled as needed.
* Martin Luther King Jr. Day is celebrated on Monday, January 21, 2019. There is no school for students that day.
* The first semester ends Friday, January 25, 2019.