

Dear Parents,

Thank you all for the generous gifts. (I cannot wait to buy my Nook ☺) I am humbled by the love and support of my students and parents. We had a wonderful time this week creating decorations, ornaments, and cards. Our Christmas party was fun and brought joy to the class. Kelly Carroccio and Michele Teska, our room parents, take care of all our party (the fun stuff) needs and organization. Without them, I would not know what to do. I want to say a special thanks to them and parents that came in to help. I know it takes a lot of time to create and put on these events—thank you so very much.

Our Christmas program is at 6:00 pm tonight. All students need to be at the church by 5:30. We are meeting in the atrium of the church, and I will be there to gather the children. Students should wear their Christmas clothes. Come and invite your family and friends. The kids have worked very hard for weeks, and I know all will be touched by this performance.

We will have a spelling test on January 6th. The words are attached, and hopefully the challenge words are written in your child's planner☺. Also, over break all students have an assignment. Students have been told about this book report assignment, and they have seen an example. We have been working on book report information all week. I know they are prepared for the task at hand. It is my hope that each student will find a book that he/she enjoys and will also enjoy the book report in a box assignment. I have offered the books in my room, but each student may read a book of his/her choice. The directions and book report chart are attached to this letter.

I have attached a recipe from Mrs. Elliot (Moriah's mom). This recipe is dairy free and safe for Moriah. I have had parents ask me what to bring in for birthdays because we have a student with allergies. This recipe is delicious and would be fine for any birthday celebration in the class.

Have a Merry Christmas!! I will miss all my lovely students, and I will be thinking about them and praying for them during vacation. Be blessed and cherish the extra time with your children. (I will take my own advice☺)

Mrs. Salmonsén