## First Grade News – December 2023

Wow! It's hard to believe that it is already December! The children are doing a great job working each day. They are making nice progress with their reading, writing, and math! Here's what's ahead in December. We have started practicing our songs for the **Christmas concert which will be on Mon. 12/11 at 6:30pm.** More information about the concert will be sent home soon. The children are very excited to perform for you!

**ELA-** Our theme in My View is I spy and we have been discussing living things and reading about animal and plant life cycles. We have been learning about main ideas and informational texts and the use of pictures to grab the reader's attention. We will also be exploring poetry and drama! We are expanding our writing skills as we write more complex sentences.

**Math-** We have started Module 2 and we will be working with numbers to 20. We will be expanding our addition and subtraction equations up to 20. Please continue to review addition and subtraction facts at home.

**Religion**- Our focus will be Advent and the Advent wreath and how we can prepare to celebrate Jesus' birthday on Christmas.

**Science-** We will continue our unit of study on plants by exploring how plants grow and change and also learn about the life cycle of seeds through discovery education.

**Soc. Studies-** We will be looking at geography of the community through maps and location. We are also continuing to explore various topics through our social studies workbooks.

**Book Report**- Just a reminder, the students may choose their favorite holiday story to read and complete the holiday tree that was sent home a few weeks ago. This book report is due on or before **Fri. 12/8.** 

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy, healthy New Year!

