# JANUARY NEWS Ist grade

#### A note from the teachers

Happy New Year! Thank you for all of your donations for our Winter Party! We hope everyone had a great winter break. We are eager to jump back into our classroom routine..

### Reminders

- Remember to check your child's take-home folder every evening and return it to school every morning.
   Please send a sweatshirt, sweater, or other light
- layer for students to keep in their backpacks or cubbies because classroom temperatures can vary.
   If your student has headphones they would like to use at school, please feel free to send them in.

## Events

- January 3rd: Return to school
- January 3rd February
  2nd: DIBELS Assessment
- January 15th: MLK Jr. Day (No School)
- □ January 18th-19th: MAP-P Testing
- □ January 26th: End of Marking Period 2
- January 29th: No School
- January 30th: Marking Period 3 Begins

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## Math Focus

We completed Eureka Module 2 before winter break and we will be starting Eureka Module 3 Topic A. This topic focuses on length measurements. Students will explore direct and indirect comparisons of objects, consider the importance of aligning endpoints, and compare the lengths of two objects indirectly by using a third object.

Vocabulary such as longer than, shorter than, and equal to will be used.

Eureka Module 2 Parent Tip Sheets English / Spanish

## Reading and Writing Focus

We will be exploring Unit 4 of the Benchmark Advance Curriculum. Students will be able to answer our essential question: how do people create stories?

In this unit, we will explore making inferences and predictions about characters and stories, along with the meaning of a narrator in a story. We will continue to practice decoding and encoding words.

## Science and Social Studies Focus

We are very excited to move into more science learning. This marking period, we will investigate information technologies and their uses, sound waves and even electromagnetic waves! We will do this by planning experiments, drawing models, and asking questions. We will also be touching on life science this marking period through reading!