



# THE NEVEU REVIEW



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Dear Parents,

“The Word became flesh and made His dwelling among us. We have seen His glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.” John 1:14

Christmas always fills me with awe and wonder as we celebrate our Savior’s birth; God becoming man for us. What love!! He laid aside the glories of Heaven to be born a baby, knowing He would have to die an unjust and cruel death to pay for our sins. So often I get caught up in the commercial rush the world has emphasized and encouraged during this season. I pray that God would keep my eyes on the true giver of “every good and perfect gift” and on Jesus, our greatest gift. I pray that God would fill me with an awesome wonder as I consider all that He has done for me! “Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!” (Second Corinthians 9:15)

## Excitement Grows!

November was a busy, yet fun month! It seems that the time has just flown by! The class has been working on memorizing their addition facts. We have also been learning a lot about how animals are classified into two groups, and focused on the vertebrate classification.

In English we have been working on nouns. Continue practicing finding those possessive nouns in what you are reading. Is it plural or singular?

This month we will begin following the Christmas star and learn about the preparations GOD made for the first Christmas. Along with our regular studies and various Christmas preparations, we will be keeping very busy. Not a moment will be wasted! This month always seems to fly by!!



## Class Christmas Celebration

Our class will be celebrating Christmas in the afternoon of Thursday, December 15th. Keep a look-out for additional information to be coming home about this time.

## **A Little “Re-Adjustment!”**

At our “Open House” I shared that the field trip that the third grades would be going on would be to the Museum of History and Industry and to the UW Planetarium. There’s been a change of plans. Due to the size of our combined classes, there would have to be two *separate* groups at each location. Plus, the Museum of History and Industry will be involved in a big move toward the end of March. So, Mrs. Carr and I are doing a little “re-adjusting” and will let you know dates and places as soon as we can.



*December 8th*  
*At 6:45*  
*KVE*  
*Christmas Program*

## Motivating Moments

This quote was shared with me a while ago. The impact of its message captivated me and left me contemplating the worth of each one of you.

**"Human worth does not depend on beauty, intelligence or accomplishments. We are all more valuable than the possessions of the entire world simply because God gave us that value. This fact remains true even if every other person on earth treats us like losers."**  
(Dr. James Dobson, Life on the Edge, p. 278.)

Wow! So much is packed into that short statement! God has entrusted you with a priceless, precious gift: your child. As we move into the hectic holiday season, as progress reports are being discussed, as the everyday stresses build and add their own pressures, we can't forget to communicate the incredible value and worth of your children, of your spouse, of yourself. But what's so incredibly true about Dr. Dobson's statement is that our worth and value is solely because God has given us that value! He's the One who put the price on our lives when He sent His only Son to be born to save us. What a tremendous, loving sacrifice! You are indeed precious! Each one of your children is a treasure! Thank you for entrusting them to me for this short time!



December looks like it will be a busy and fun month! You're each in my prayers as you prepare your hearts and homes for the celebration of the Christ Child.

In Jesus' joy!  
*Mrs. Neveu*

## Book Share!

This month we will be focusing on the genre of **Folk Lore**. These are stories that have been handed down through the generations, often orally, to be written down much later.

After reading the chosen folk lore book, your child will be creating a trading card containing information regarding the main character in the story. (See the attached example.) Because these stories are often much shorter than the books we usually read, there won't be the requirement of the normal page length, but it should still be a story that your child hasn't read (or seen in a movie) before. Also, **be sure that the book is completely read before working on your Book Share!**

### DID YOU NOTICE?

Did you notice that on our calendar it will be National Hot Cocoa Day on Tuesday, December 13? In honor of this special day we will be having a "MUGSLY DAY" !! Bring your favorite mug and spoon **in a zip lock plastic bag**, along with your favorite instant hot drink (tea, hot choco-



### Just A Reminder...

Please be sure to sign your child's assignment book everyday and record how much time was spent on doing the homework. Even on Friday. I check your child's book on Monday to see if there's been any notes from Friday, and for your signature.

### Also...

Passport Club testing will be in the afternoon of December 16th!

