

# December



## Reading Workshop

This month, we are continuing our work as word detectives. The boys and girls have received their badges and are working hard each day to solve new missions. Students are learning to stop at tricky words, look closely from the beginning to the end, and use everything they know to solve it. Students are learning to turn tricky words into snap words.

While the class is reading in the classroom, students can log-in to Raz-Kids at home. The students each have an individual book room where they can read and earn stars to design a robot! Students are taking home three books each night to practice. Please remember to have your child return their books to school each day.

### Word Study

We are currently working on using strategies from word study to improve their spelling during Writing Workshop. As the year continues, please make sure to practice the words at home with your child.

### Math:

This month, we are exploring plane and solid shapes. We have looked closely to learn attributes of plane shapes and sorted them into groups. The class has learned which solid shapes can roll, stack, and slide. We will learn different ways to build hexagons and triangles using other shapes. The boys and girls will also learn to partition shapes into equal parts (quarters/halves/thirds).

## Five Star General

First graders in Room 12 are working on becoming five star generals. Students can become a general by spelling their first and last name, knowing their address, phone number, birthday, and being able to tie their shoes. Please begin practicing with your child at home.

### Important Dates

Dec. 8th - Scholastic Book Order Due  
Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> - Jesse's Birthday  
Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> - Early Dismissal  
Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> - Mohammad's Birthday  
Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> - Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> -Holiday Recess  
Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> - Charlotte's Birthday

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