

# HERE'S *the* SCOOP

DECEMBER NEWS

Ms. Willard's 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

## LOOK WHAT WE ARE LEARNING

**Math-** Our focus is on how to collect, create, display and interpret data using various graphs. Our month will end with using algebraic expressions in word problems.

**Reading-** We continue to focus on story elements, theme and identifying character traits.

**Arts and Writing-** We will be studying photographers such as Ansel Adams, Alfred Stieglitz, and Gordon Parks talking about their work and what inspired them to create their photos. Students will then take photos of everyday objects and turn them into a multimedia piece.

**Social Studies-** We are exploring the Southeast region of the USA. They are learning about highlights of this area of the country, as well as, being able to identify the states in this region.

**Science-** The Bakken museum joined us recently teaching us about different types of ENERGY. They will be back on the 3<sup>rd</sup> to show off a giant Tesla coil as they perform a skit entitled, War of the Currents, to teach us about Thomas Edison and Nikola Tesla.

## FRIENDLY REMINDERS

Winter has arrived! Please help children to remember to come to school with their hats, gloves and jackets.

Winter Break begins Saturday, December 21 and we return to school Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>.

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## EVENTS

### DECEMBER GATHERINGS

*All times are from 3:20-3:50  
unless indicated*

6<sup>th</sup>- Creative Arts Choir  
Performance

13<sup>th</sup>- Winter Solstice Sing  
Along (all grades)

20<sup>th</sup> Taiko Drumming (3<sup>rd</sup>  
grade)

Note: start time is 3:10

**COMING SOON... 4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Opera**

January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

AND two Gatherings on  
January 31<sup>rd</sup>