**SHARING**

Sharing will focus on the short sound of /o/ this week. This is the vowel sound heard in “mop”.

Next week sharing will be Children’s Choice.

**NEXT WEEK’S SCHEDULE**

 School will be dismissed at 1:40 next Wednesday, November 22nd. Teacher’s will use the rest of that day for collaboration. There will not be school next Thursday or Friday due to the Thanksgiving holiday.

**SPELLING**

All students, except for kindergarteners, have spelling words attached. A brief explanation of the homework appears below.

**Monday**: Cut, sort, explain

**Tuesday**: Sort and write

**Wednesday**: Adult reads, child writes in correct category, fix as needed

**Thursday**: Sort, glue, add two

We’ll test on the words in class on Friday.

**SWIMMING**

Swimming went quite well last week. Hopefully the older half of the class had swimming gear with them today.

The K-2 students plus Ammerie, Owen, and Eliana will be swimming on Wednesday.

Looking ahead to next week: The older half of the class should bring swim gear on Monday, November 20th.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

 The school’s Christmas program will be held Tuesday evening, December 12th. I’ll send home more details as the date gets closer.

 Students have voted to perform a play. We’ll be working this week to decide which play they’d like to perform.

 On another note, traditionally my Christmas gift to the class is either a trip to Homer to see the Nutcracker Ballet or a gingerbread party at school. I know for certain that we won’t be traveling to Homer this year to see the Nutcracker.

The class and I will be discussing early this week whether they are interested in the gingerbread festivities. I’ll let you know later this week how that discussion turns out.

**MATH**

 Kindergarteners will complete their measurement unit this week and then begin focusing on numbers from eleven to twenty.

 Draven continues working on subtraction.

 The second graders are adding three-digit numbers.

 The third graders continue to focus on their basic multiplication and division facts.

 Students doing fourth grade math will be practicing their long division skills.

 Ulysse will be learning about prime factorization, exponents, and multiplication patterns.

 Faith will be working with fractions in her next math chapter.