**SHARING**

 For sharing this week children should bring an object with the short sound of /i/ in its name. This is the vowel sound heard in “trip”.

 For sharing next week children should bring a collection of 100 of something. It would be great if this collection could stay at school until Friday.

**SPELLING**

First through sixth graders have spelling words attached. The condensed homework explanation is 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 on Friday. Thanks for helping your child learn these words.

**SWIMMING**

We’ll be swimming on Wednesday. Please send your child to school with swimwear and a towel.

**REMINDERS**

If you are interested in ordering books, please turn the completed forms and payment in by this Friday, January 26th.

All students have math homework for this week attached. For the most part, students did an excellent job on last week’s work. We had 72% of students turn in a completed paper.

**BATTLE OF THE BOOKS**

Our first practices went quite well last week. We’ll practice after school again this week on Wednesday and Thursday until 4:00.

**SOUTH KOREA**

 In preparation for an upcoming unit of study, students have been learning about South Korea. Last week we looked at their flag and the geography of their country. This week students will learn more about some of the large cities in the country. They’ll also learn about Korean homes (traditional and modern) as well as a bit about the palaces in the country.

**SPELLING BEE**

 Susan B. English School will host the annual spelling bee this Thursday, January 25th. The bee will begin at 2:15 in the school commons. Students in grades four through eight are eligible to participate. Students would love an audience!

**MATH**

 Kindergarteners will begin learning about addition this week.

 Draven will learn how to add two-digit numbers.

 The second graders are working on a graphing chapter.

 Third graders will be working with measurement.

 Fourth graders will be working with mixed numbers and improper fractions.

 Faith is completing her fraction chapter.