**SHARING**

For sharing this week, children should bring an object that has the short sound of /o/ in its name. This is the vowel sound in “stop”. The sound doesn’t have to be in the beginning of the word.

Sharing next week will be Children’s Choice.

**REMINDERS**

 Any book orders should be turned in this Friday, November 22nd.

 The third, fourth, and fifth graders will be demonstrating that they know the location of the seven continents, four oceans, and four hemispheres on Friday.

**SWIMMING**

 We’ll be swimming this week. Please be sure your child has swimwear and a towel here by Wednesday afternoon. Our amazing record with swim gear continues. Thank you!

**SCIENCE**

 We’ll finish up our study of electricity this week. Students will get to see whether they can figure out some circuit puzzles.

**HEALTH**

 All grades will be studying food this week in health. Some grades will be focusing on making healthy choices. Others will focus more on the digestive system.

**SPELLING**

 Students in grades one through five have spelling words attached. We’ll test on Friday. The brief version 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

**SNACK MONEY**

 Thanks to everyone who has sent in $5 to cover this quarter’s snacks. Your help is greatly appreciated.

**GINGERBREAD SLEEPOVER**

My Christmas gift to the class has traditionally been either a trip to Homer to see the Nutcracker Ballet or a gingerbread sleepover at the school. For several reasons we’ll be doing the gingerbread sleepover this year.

The date that makes the most sense is Friday, December 6th. This event will last from 5:00 PM on Friday until 11:00 AM on Saturday, December 7th. Our main activity will be the construction and decoration of gingerbread houses.

I’ll need a male chaperone willing to spend the night with the boys. That person would need to show up at the school by 9:00 PM Friday and could leave as soon as the boys were packed and dressed Saturday morning. If you are interested in chaperoning, the first step is to complete the district’s volunteer screening process. Please let me know if you have any questions about this process.

 If your child isn’t interested in spending the night at school, he/she is still welcome to participate in the party if you are willing to pick him/her up Friday night and then bring your child back to school on Saturday morning. I’ll give you more details in upcoming bulletins.