**SHARING**

For sharing this week children should tell us about or show us something related to a family holiday tradition.

For sharing next week, children can show us a favorite ornament.

**SPELLING**

First through fifth graders have spelling words attached to this bulletin. We’ll test on Friday. Here’s the reminder about homework expectations.

Monday: Cut apart and sort

Tuesday: Sort and write

Wednesday: Adult reads word, child writes in correct category, fix any errors

Thursday: Sort, glue, and add two

**HEALTH**

 All grades will be learning about the human body in health this week. Kindergarteners will be learning about the five senses. First graders will focus on lungs and breathing. Second graders will learn about the human heart. Third graders will focus on eyes. Adelynn will learn about teeth. The brain will be the topic for fifth graders.

**SWIMMING**

 We will be swimming this week. Please be sure your child has swimwear and a towel here by Wednesday afternoon.

**REQUEST**

 Students will be mixing, rolling, and cutting the walls and roof pieces for their gingerbread houses in the morning on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. We need a couple more rolling pins to make this happen. I’d appreciate if we could borrow these. They’ll be sent back home with your child on Thursday.

 **COSTUMES**

 I hope you and your child had a chance to discuss possible costumes for the upcoming Christmas program.

**SOCIAL STUDIES**

 The younger students will begin a chapter that covers culture and customs.

 The older students will begin a chapter on economics.

**SLEEPOVER**

The gingerbread sleepover is scheduled for this Friday, December 6th. Please bring your child back to school on Friday by 5:00 that evening. Each child will need a sleeping bag, pajamas, a toothbrush and toothpaste, a change of clothing, a hairbrush or comb, and anything else they usually pack for a sleepover. If your child needs medication during this time, please let me know.

We’ll have pizza, fresh carrots and broccoli, soda or juice, and ice cream for dinner Friday night. Our big project will be the gingerbread houses. We’ll begin by “gluing” together the walls, and then after dinner add the roof. We’ll also have time for students to play in the gym and watch a video. We still haven’t voted on the video. It will be rated G.

On Saturday morning we’ll have cold cereal with milk, bagels, juice, and bananas for breakfast. We’ll decorate the gingerbread houses and, depending on the time, have more fun in the gym. Children will be ready to be picked up at 11:00 Saturday morning. If you’d like your child to walk home, please send a note to let me know that is okay with you.