

# Team Brackett News



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## Winter Weather

I must admit I love snow! And the cold weather doesn't bother me much, but really, enough is enough. You know it's been a tough winter when we are no longer excited by the words "snow day." And it looks like we are in for another cold week, so keep tuned to the weather report. I know you are anxious for school to get back to a regular schedule and so am I. Let's keep our fingers crossed.

## New Semester

With this newsletter you are receiving your child's report card for the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter. Please look it over carefully and if you have questions I encourage you to schedule a time when we can talk. However, I cannot hold conversations during class time. I thank you for understanding that when the children are present they deserve my undivided attention.

### *Sign and Return:*

#### -Student Information Form

Fill out and return. It is important that I have updated emergency information for each child.

-Permission Slip for a tentative field trip to the Children's Museum on February 14<sup>th</sup>. There is no cost, but students **MUST** return the permission slip.

#### - Publicity Release Form

Sign and return. This form is required by the Science Department in order to attend the field trip.

#### -Yes! Foundation Permission

Several students are receiving this form. The Yes Foundation will provide tutors one hour a week for students who need additional support in reading. If you are receiving a form it is because your child's reading teacher has determined he could benefit. Please sign and return the form.

#### *Keep at home:*

SFA Letter - informs you of the reading group your child has been assigned. See the report card for the grade in that class.

#### Renaissance Home Connect -

Information on how to access at home a computer program for reading and math practice.

### Dolch Word List - a list of

the first 100 words your child should be able to read by the end of the year. These are not the only words your child should read, but they comprise 50% of all the words they will encounter in books and other print. These are frequently called "sight words" because your child should be able to read them instantly on sight. Print them on index cards or post it notes and practice nightly.

Addition Facts - the table lists all the addition facts from 1 - 9. It is expected that your child should know these facts in order to advance to more difficult math. Although we work on these daily in class, it is helpful to spend 10 minutes a night practicing.

## Reminder

**-Breakfast** is from 9:00 - 9:15. At 9:20 we will clean up and begin our work. Students are expected to arrive **ON TIME** daily, ready to begin.

**-Homework** is to be returned daily. This includes the SFA book for the current lesson. Please sign the Read & Respond form that comes with the book.