



# Hoppy Happenings

November 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011



## Dates to Remember

- Library Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>
- Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> 4K-5<sup>th</sup> Christmas Concert

## Welcome Back!

**Hopefully everyone had a restful and enjoyable Thanksgiving break. The weather was spectacular!**

**The First Grade Readers' Theater was hugely successful. Thank you for coming and sending along the items for our feast. The children did very well.**

*We no longer need Pringles cans. You all did a great job on snacking!!! The cans are for a very exciting Christmas project so . . . you'll see the cans reformatted at a later date. You will love the finished product!*

**YOUR FEEDBACK IS APPRECIATED: Please let me know if you find the suggested websites at the bottom each newsletter useful or not. I am interested in knowing if you access the websites and if they are helpful. Please take a few minutes and email me your responses. Thank you.**

## November Reading Logs

Reading logs are due on Thursday the 30<sup>th</sup>. Early is good, late is not good (smile).



**Check out this exciting website: [http://np.harlan.k12.ia.us/first\\_grade\\_web\\_sites.htm](http://np.harlan.k12.ia.us/first_grade_web_sites.htm)**



**Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not unto your own understanding. Proverbs 3:5-6**

## Home Practice

**Bible:** Our stories include **God Saves Baby Moses, God Calls Moses, the Plagues, and the Passover.**

**Memory Verse:** Luke 2: 1-15

We will be practicing this until Christmas. We will work on it every day at school. Please work on it frequently at home. We are using the New International Version.

**Phonics:** Students will revisit the short u which spells the sound /u/ as in the word /fun/. Students will encounter final consonant blends this week: Students will progress from spelling three-letter words to four and five-letter words. Phonic readers this week are **Duck Has Fun, At the Pond,** and **Cub and Mom at the Pond.** Spelling words include **crust, just, hunt, bump, dust, lump, jump, trust, must, dusk, many, home, them.**

**Reading:** The concept this week is **Cause and Effect.** The reading story coming home is **Animal Park.** Vocabulary words: **park, elephant, zebra, hippos.**

**Math:** Students will learn to **problem solve using subtraction; relate addition and subtraction, and fact families.**

**Grammar:** Students will learn that **exclamatory sentences** show strong feelings.

**Writing:** Students will write a **brief composition** that tells about something real.

**Social Studies** Students will learn more about **water and land, what is weather, and caring for our environment.**

**Science:** We are studying **more on seeds.** There will be a chapter review on plants Thursday and a chapter test next Tuesday.

**Handwriting** Students will learn the strokes to **letter Qq.**