

# Ah-“Mason” Happenings in the Fifth Grade Week of December 4-8



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## Things to Know

Please consider donating Vienna sausages for  
Snack Packs!

### Upcoming Events:

- December 8<sup>th</sup>—Tacky Hat/Sweater Dollar Day
- December 21<sup>st</sup>—Christmas Breakfast
- December 22<sup>nd</sup>-January 5<sup>th</sup>—Christmas Break

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## What We're Learning This Week

### Reading, Language Arts, & Writing

Students completed a writing benchmark in later October, and we have just gotten the benchmarks back. Students will be working on self-assessing their writing, developing a plan for improvement, and will begin writing their revised version. We will continue to emphasize reading fluency and comprehension with a focus on informational texts. Students will also continue working on text structure and sentence composition.

Dear Parents,

Our Pancake Christmas Breakfast will be on December 21<sup>st</sup>. We will be having pancakes and will begin serving at 8:30. If you are interested in volunteering to help set up, cook, and clean up, please let your child's homeroom teacher know. You will find a list of supplies in your child's Friday folder. Please circle what you plan to send and return it to school with your child.

We will be having Tacky Hat/Sweater Dollar Day on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. Please remember it is a \$1.00 for the hat and a \$1.00 for the sweater, so if your child wishes to do both, it will be \$2.00. Remember all of the proceeds from our Dollar Days go directly towards future events for your 5<sup>th</sup> grader. We will also be making our ornaments on this day. Lastly, Hill City is sponsoring a local nursing home for Christmas. If you are interested in sending a little joy to the elderly, see the information in your child's folder.

Fifth Grade Teachers

### Math

**Smith:** We are working with dividing decimals—whole numbers divided with decimals, decimals divided by whole numbers, and decimals divided by decimals.

**McEntire:** We are working on identifying solids and finding volume, as well as, reviewing previous skills.

**Science:** Lo's students will continue studying animal and plant classification. Test will be on December 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Social Studies:** We will continue our studies of the Dust Bowl and Great Depression. We will test over this material on December 19<sup>th</sup>.