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December is underway! This month is full of excitement for our students as we participate in festivities such as the Christmas Bazaar, Holiday Book Fair and the upcoming Christmas Assembly.

We are looking forward to a special afternoon of gingerbread cookies, hot chocolate and story-telling with our Kindergarten Reading Buddies on December 18th.

We will also be taking part in a Secret Santa Gift activity. Please see the notice sent home with your child for further details.

One last note! I have a new email address: **alexandra.leblanc@hwdsb.on.ca** Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments or concerns.

Math

This month we are busy exploring Patterning. We will be covering the following Curriculum Expectations:

- create, identify and extend numeric using a variety of tools
- building a model to represent a number pattern presented in a table of values that shows the term number and the term
- make a table of values for a pattern that is generated by adding or subtracting a number to get the next term, given either the sequence or the pattern rule in words
- make predictions related to growing and shrinking numeric patterns

Literacy

We are diving deeper in our writing! Students are learning how to identify and write their own strong paragraphs. Our Learning Goals are:

While I read or listen to a text, I will show my understanding by identifying the main ideas and supporting it with evidence

In my writing, I will state a main idea, support it with relevant details, and end with an effective concluding sentence.

I will use juicy language that makes my writing interesting to my reader.

Our Patterning test is Thursday, December 12th

May you and your family have a wonderful Holiday Season

and a Toyous New Year!