



November 2010

In the news...

YEAH! MEAP is over! The kids worked really hard on their tests. We expect results back sometime after Christmas Break. You will receive a parent report which details how your child performed on this assessment.

We continue to move full steam ahead through our units of study.

Our class will be participating in the *Tamarack District Library* fundraiser this year. We will be putting a basket or box of Michigan products for people to place a silent bid on at the library during the week of December 2nd-December 4th. We have a chance to win a pizza party! More information is on the back of this newsletter.

Curriculum Corner

Math: multiplication strategies

Social Studies: The Economy of Michigan

Science: earth materials

Reading: visualizing, introduction to folktales

Writing: personal narratives, paragraph structure, contractions



THANK YOU!

Thanks to all of the parents who have been sending in snacks, Kleenex, and Disinfecting wipes. We have really been going through the snacks!



Book Order

I am sending a set of book orders home which will be due on DECEMBER 3rd.

We have been earning MANY free books for our classroom from all of the orders that are being placed. PLUS when you order online we receive \$3 in free books for our class!

We appreciate your support!



Calendar of Events

Tues. Nov. 23	Breakfast with the Principal
Wed. Nov 24	Terrific Kid Assembly Early Release
Nov. 25-26	No school Thanksgiving Break
Dec. 1 st	Michigan Basket items due
Dec. 8 th Dec. 20-31	Early Release Christmas Break

Friends of the Tamarack District Library Fundraiser

Our class will be participating in the *Friends of the Tamarack District Library* fundraiser this year!

We will be putting together a basket of products that are **MADE IN MICHIGAN**. This basket will be in the library from Thursday, December 2 until Saturday, December 6. People can stop in at the library to place a silent bid on our basket as well as other trees or baskets that are being donated by other groups and businesses. This connects nicely with what we are learning about in Social Studies and also will help to raise some money for our town library! **PLUS, THE GROUP BASKET THAT HAS THE HIGHEST BID WINS A PIZZA PARTY!**

If you would like to donate a **MADE IN MICHIGAN** product some ideas include:

- Better Made potato Chips
- Kar's nuts
- JIFFY baking mixes
- Traverse City Cherries
- Drakes Batter Mix
- Pioneer Sugar
- Big Chief Sugar
- Kellogg's Cereal
- Old Orchard Juice
- Indian Summer Juice
- Garden Fresh Gourmet Chips and salsas
- Faygo Soda

More ideas for products can be found online at:

<http://www.buymichigannow.com/downloads/BMN%20Grocery%20Guide%2002.pdf>

We would also like to include a couple of books from Michigan authors. Different ideas for books are the *Michigan Chillers* series and any of the "Legend" books that go with Michigan.

I would like to begin collecting nonperishable items starting the week of November 22nd. We will need to have all items by Wednesday, December 1st. If you prefer for me to do the shopping and would like to donate money for this project, feel free to send that in instead. Thank you for your help!

