## Dear Families,

*On Thursday, December 19 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, before we break for Winter Recess, we are going to be making gingerbread houses! We will be providing most of the materials we will be using for this project. We are asking each family to send in a bagged candy item to decorate these gingerbread houses. We need to be able to read the ingredients for food allergies. Feel free to send in your donated item as soon as you have it so that we, as a class, know what we have and what else we could use. Please send in items that can be equally shared among five groups. The students generated a list of supplies they believe we may need to help with this project that is attached below.
*Please know that our class party is the last day before winter break. We will do a movie and pajama party. We also do many other projects that week. We do not have parents come in because we know it is such a busy time of year.
*Non-perishable food items are being collected for the Fall Food Drive through 12/20.
*Our annual holiday project based on Shel Silverstein's "The Giving Tree" has begun. Consider contributing new and unwrapped toys, books or games from infancy to adolescence. Items will be welcomed until December $20^{\text {th }}$.
*Winter Weather is here! Please consider labeling winter gear with your child's name to aide its return home. We ask that children come prepared with a coat, hat and gloves or mittens. In the event of snow coverage, please pack snow pants and boots for outdoor recess. Winter gear donations are much appreciated $\odot$.
*Our Winter Recess begins on Monday, December $23^{\text {rd }}$ and school resumes on Thursday, January $3^{\text {rd }}$.
*Please continue to send in clean 2 liter soda bottles with caps. We will use them for a project in the spring.



