

# LINDALL'S LEARNERS

We are CREW, not passengers.

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I'm pleased to see the following students got in some extra practice over the break, especially since MAPS testing starts this week...

ReadTheory: Christina, Kearsten, Lily  
TenMarks: Chavon, Christina, Daniel, Patrick

## CLASS NEEDS

**Each student needs to bring in at least 24 small treats (candy, toys, etc.) for the holiday goody bags. Each day they will have opportunities to earn treats, and they will take the bags home on Dec. 18. This is also the day of our winter party. Our class will have "stations" most of the day. More details will be sent soon.**

## LEXILES

The students should *always* be reading from a Lexile-level chapter book. They have their Lexile range, most know it by heart, and they should be familiar with how to locate books on their level and interests on [www.lexile.com](http://www.lexile.com). By reading books within their Lexile range, they are being exposed to books that will challenge and improve their vocabulary without being so difficult that they cannot comprehend what they are reading.

Please, provide your child with as many opportunities as possible to obtain books (local libraries, used book stores, book trades, etc.)

<http://mrsLindall.weebly.com>

## CONVERSATION STARTERS

Why is it important to practice skills, especially during breaks?  
What can you do to be a responsible learner?  
How much time have you spent practicing skills on TenMarks and ReadTheory?  
How can we produce quality work?  
What is the difference between an insulator and a conductor?  
What goals have you met?  
What are your new goals for the week? Month?  
In what ways are you working toward meeting your goals?  
What book are you currently reading?  
How can you determine the meaning of words?

During conferences the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students shared yearly goals for the MAPS test. In order to be able to regularly track their progress, my students' goals will be revised this week. We want to be able to monitor progress toward the goals throughout the year, and this will not be possible with the current goals since MAPS only takes place two more times.

All students will bring home a revised goal sheet to share with you this week.

I apologize for the change, but it makes more sense to set goals that can be monitored on a regular basis.

## What We're Studying

- Unit 2 Peter Pan: Read like a writer
- Writing our own imagined scene
- Solving multi-step word problems
- Solving problems involving measurement, multiplication, division
- Using quotation marks, commas
- Determine meanings based on root, prefix, and suffix