



## **HOMEWORK - DUE FRIDAY**

For homework this week we are going to create holiday cards for our service members. Each child will create two or more Christmas/holiday cards. These cards may all be the same or they may each be different. Children may use paper selected from school or they may use their own paper. The children may use crayons, markers, paints, magazine pictures, old Christmas cards, comics, etc. Please do not use glitter as it can cause problems in the mail. Cards should not be bigger than 12 inches by 9 inches.

The children are to write a cheerful message of three or more detailed sentences and they are to use proper punctuation on each card. The message could include thanks to the service member for his/her service, protection and selflessness. It is very encouraging for our service people to hear they are thought of and prayed for. Other suggested ideas for messages are:

Why you are thankful to live in the USA
Why you appreciate their sacrifices to protect all of us
What the recent weather has been like
About a family outing, reunion, or special occasion
About your family, your pets, your hobbies
How you spend your free time
Funny stories or jokes
About a family member who is a veteran

The best way to address the service members is "Dear Hero" or "Dear Service Member". Please remember the service members are not all soldiers and they are not all men. Please do not put the cards in envelopes. The children may sign their

first names, but they may not put their home addresses or phone numbers. The children may put our classroom's address: Mrs. Gray's Class, Austinburg Elementary, 3030 St. Rt. 307 W., Austinburg, Ohio, 44010.

Thank you, R derta Gray