

December 2023 Newsletter

Dear Families,

We are nearing the end of the calendar for 2023! Our students in grades VPK through Grade 2 will take their second state assessment (PM2) beginning December 5th. These are computer based. Grades 3-6 will take theirs on January 10th and 11th. Please see the attached parent letters to help guide you. This short month will have opportunities for you to help us "give back" to the community with a canned food drive, socialize and make a holiday craft, and join us and our grade 1 and 2 students for Spirit Day. As it gets busy this season, remember to stop and take a breath and enjoy the final month of the year.

Sincerely,
Cheryl Turner
Principal/Administrator



Our schools will be closed December 25th through January 7th. Our final day for the calendar year will be Friday, December 23rd. School office will be open at times, please call ahead if you need our attention. We will be getting ready for the teachers and students to return on Monday, January 8th. Enjoy the time with your family and stay well.



Reminder! You can check our dress code requirements in the handbook. As the weather gets colder, please add layers to keep your child warm. Sweaters and light coats worn IN the classroom all day should be navy or light blue to match the shirt. Bottoms should be khaki or dark blue including leggings. Keep socks to a basic color in the uniform. Please save the FUN print prints for dress down days. Any color jacket can be worn to school and when outside. Thank you for supporting school rules.



Our next PTO meeting will be Dec 12th at 6:30 pm. It will be a Family Holiday Craft event. Join us for a social and brief meeting. Bring the kids! See our meeting notes from November's meeting in your email. Please read our flier for the December charity project of collecting canned goods and items. Suggested items are listed, but we will gather any non-perishable donations. In addition, you can order your yearbook online or send money into the office with the attached form. <https://buytheyearbook.pictavo.com> school number # 717142



“Let us treat them, therefore with all the kindness which we would wish to help develop in them.” Dr. Maria Montessori



Re-enroll for the new school year 2024-25

To help us plan for next year, families will receive their commitment forms December 15th. These need to be filled out and returned by February 10th to keep your spot for next year. We will begin taking application from new families in January. Thank you in advance for returning this intent. You will receive the FULL registration packet in the Spring with more information. If you are **not** planning on returning, please let the office know.



Students in grades 4-6 will participate in our school Science and Engineering Fair on January 18th. We need judges for the event. If you have a background in science, engineering, or math, and can give us a few hours, please contact Mrs. Turner. More information for judges will come home early January.

Let's have a little FUN as we end December! Students and staff may dress down on the last three days of the year. If you would like to join our themed days, we are going to “show off your unusual or ugly seasonal wear” on Wednesday, “show your winter spirit” on Thursday, and “get ready for the holiday” on Friday.

