

Dear Chesterbrook School Families,

The holiday season is in full bloom and it is a busy one. This month is a short but a full one, we will be celebrating the holidays with a visit from the Miramar Public Library for Books-n-Bears, a visit from Santa, and showing the Polar Express in our PJs.

As a learning community, we continue to focus our full attention on all of our academic responsibilities but we also make time in a variety of ways to have fun celebrating the season. Chesterbrook continues to show a generous spirit. The students will be making Holiday cards for retirees in Pembroke Pines and we just completed 50 filled shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. The boxes will be distributed to less fortunate children around the world. Thank you for your generosity!

I hope the holidays are a time of recreation and relaxation with family and friends. Wishing you and your families all the best in 2020.

Respectfully, J.B. Bean, Principal

Ms. Bean's Reading Challenge

Each year over the Winter Break, I like to give my VPK kids a reading challenge. Basically, the child that 'reads' the MOST books, either with a parent, older sibling, or by themselves will receive a PRIZE. Each child will go home with a reading log so they can record all their read books. The chal-

lenge begins on the first day of Winter Break, December 23 and logs are to be returned to Ms. Bean on Monday, January 3.

This challenge is fun and exciting because literacy is the foundation of all learning, so anything we can do to set the founda-

tion for developing a life-long love of learning is thrilling.



Just a few pictures from our Thanksgiving program.















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Pembroke Pines

Kid Gifts

As you're out shopping for Christmas gifts for the kids—consider giving the gift of literacy; games that encourage, inspire and boost reading skills. Some ideas are:

Magazine Subscriptions:

- ◊ National Geographic Little Kids (ages 3-6)
- \diamond Clubhouse Jr. (ages 3-7)
- ♦ Highlights High Five (ages 2-6)
- ♦ Ranger Rick Jr. (ages 3-7)
- ◊ BabyBug (ages 2-5)

Games:

- ◊ Apples to Apples
- \diamond Hedbanz
- ◊ Scrabble Jr.
- ◊ Hangman
- ◊ Time to Rhyme
- Match It Bingo

Chesterbrook on Facebook

Find us on Facebook! There you will see announcements, reminders, and pictures of the kiddos!

We're at www.facebook.com/ ChesterbrookAcademy

Dates to Remember

Books & Bears - Miramar Public Library visit Wednesday, December 4

Visit with Santa Friday, December 20 9:00 - 11:00 am

Wacky Wednesday -Pajama Day / Polar Express Movie Wednesday, December 18

Christmas Day - School Closed Wednesday, December 25

Winter Break - NO VPK - Camp Available Monday, December 23 - January 3

Visit with Santa

On Friday, December 20th Santa will be visiting our Chesterbrook kiddos! Each child will have an opportunity to meet with Santa and receive a personalized gift from Mr. Claus. As a fund-raiser for the school, we will be offering a professionally taken photograph with Santa and your child; a 5x7 will be available for \$10.00.

Parents, for this event, we are asking that you bring in a wrapped gift for Santa to give to your child; this will make it extra special for each child because it will be specific to them. We need all gifts to be given to the front desk no later than Tuesday, Decem-



ber 17. Please remember to have the gift wrapped and tagged with your child's name and room number.