

December Newsletter

A Note From Our Principal

The holiday season is a time to celebrate community, diversity, and the universal joy of giving. Our students will be learning about traditions observed around the world by singing songs, making art, tasting seasonal treats, and so much more! We'll be sending additional information in the coming weeks via Links 2 Home. As always, thank you for allowing us to teach and care for your children.

Sincerely,
Tiffany Simmons

Holiday Giving

Our annual holiday giving initiative is a way for students to spread cheer this holiday season while developing an appreciation for what they have, showing gratitude towards others, and seeing the positive impact of their actions. This year, we are collecting for the children at The Ronald McDonald House from **December 1st-December 16th**. Thank you for your generosity in helping others in need. Please drop all gifts off in the CBA lobby.

Have School-Aged Children? Join us for Winter Break Camp!

Join us from **December 19th-December 30th**! We offer flexible schedules for families and engaging activities for school-age students. Our Winter Break Camp is a place for exploring, discovering, and making new friends. Sign-Up sheets will be in the lobby. See the principal.

Cubby Refresh

Please make sure to refresh the spare clothing in your child's cubby. Take home anything that no longer fits and leave a spare set of well-fitting, weather-appropriate clothes, including a winter hat and gloves.

Important Dates

December 9-Parents Night Out 6-8pm, 1st 50 families to sign-up the cost will be 50.00

December 9- Staff luncheon/ Parent's Donation sign-up sheet

December 16 - Classroom holiday celebrations 3:00-5:00

December 23 - School closes at 12pm

December 26 - School closed for holiday

December 30 - School closes at 3pm, end of month folders go home

January 2 - School closed for holiday

The Gift of Giving: Teaching Students the Importance of Generosity and Compassion

The holidays are a wonderful time of year for many reasons. We enjoy spending this time with our students as we reflect on the past year, learn about different traditions, and give back to those in need. Our annual holiday giving initiative is a way for students to build the important foundation of generosity and compassion. Through this event, they develop an appreciation for what they have, show gratitude towards others, and see the positive impact of their actions. It brings a smile to our faces to see our students get so excited to lend a helping hand.



Below are just a few ways we're helping our communities this season.

1. Students will collect toys, art supplies, games, books and other gifts for children in need. These special items will be delivered to Toys for Tots, local shelters, and children's hospitals.
2. During Thanksgiving, many of our students collected nonperishable food items. They will continue their collections throughout December, tour the food banks, and learn about how their contributions will make a difference in their community.
3. Students will help stock the shelves of local shelters by collecting essential winter accessories, such as coats, mittens, hats, and blankets.
4. The gift of time is precious. Students will make cards and visit senior centers to spread holiday cheer. They will enjoy snacks with residents, make holiday decorations, read books, and sing carols.
5. Students will show their appreciation for community helpers by delivering baked goods. They'll measure and mix ingredients, roll the dough, place the baked goodies in boxes, and deliver them with handmade cards.