

January 2020



KALEIDOSCOPE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCE



Cub Companion

Message from the Principal

The new year stands before us, like a chapter in a book, waiting to be written. We can help write that story by setting goals.—Melody Beattie

As we close out this year, it is a good time to think about where we are going. As parents, we often think about our children's needs and certainly as a school, we are thinking about our students social and academic needs. As we head into winter break, this is a great time to get a jumpstart on goal setting with your children.

Social goals for families and students can begin by looking at our conscious discipline program for helping our students with self-regulation and problem solving strategies. Health goals could include getting at least 60 minutes of exercise a day and recording it on Mr. Boonstra's Healthy Futures Log and by creating meal plans as a family. Academic goals can be as simple as setting time aside each night to ensure your child is reading 20 minutes a night and also reading a book aloud to your children. Math skills can be integrated into our

daily lives in a variety of ways, which include baking, creating a budget for grocery shopping, counting coins, searching for different shaped items on a nature walk. Whatever you end up doing with your family over the break, enjoy your time together and know that everyone here at the school is sending well wishes for a wonderful winter break. See all of you in 2020!

Dawn Grimm
Principal



Office Notes

Re-enrollment forms will go home with report cards in Friday folders January 17th. Forms are due back to the office by 4:00 p.m. on February 21st. **Every student must have a completed form turned in to the office to hold their place for next year.** If your child is not returning, even if they have aged out of the school, please fill out the back of the form so we know where they will be

attending in order to send their records when it's time.

If you are enrolling a sibling for next year, make sure to fill out a sibling lottery application. The application deadline is February 28th. Indicating a sibling on the re-enrollment form does not complete the application process.

Please contact the office if you have any questions about the re-enrollment forms or the lottery process.

I am in awe of the generosity of our Kaleidoscope families who gave their time & money to the Christmas Drive this year. You have the biggest hearts that I have ever witnessed. Thank you again for making our Christmas Drive successful.

Stacey Weeks



January 6

Inservice Day
(No School for Students)

Looking Ahead....

- February 5—APC Meeting @ 4:15
- February 14 & 17—P/T Conferences: NO SCHOOL for Students
- February 19—Early Release @ 2:10
- February 21—2020-21 Enrollment Forms Return Deadline

PTA

Many thanks to Mindy Adams who volunteered to orchestrate the Penguin Patch Christmas shop this year, and to the volunteers who made it possible for all the students to do their shopping. It was fun to see the kids pick out just the right gift for the special people in their lives. In addition to all the new treasures from the Penguin Patch, gear orders should be coming home soon as well.

Last month, each student received a new book, courtesy of the PTA, and we would like to thank the volunteers who helped with the Book Giveaway.

As always, we are ready to grow our PTA and would love to see you at the next meeting on January 28 at 5:30. Also, please mark your calendar for the week of February 24-28 as Staff Appreciation Week. We love our staff and have dedicated this week to showing them how much we appreciate them. We will need plenty of volunteers to help decorate and to provide food. Please contact the PTA via email (KSASpta@gmail.com), Jessica W. or Chantel T. to see how you can help. Enjoy your break for the Holidays and we will see you again in January!

Like us on Facebook under Kaleidoscope PTA as we post a lot of reminders there!

LUNCH MONEY REMINDERS....

The PTA has generously created a lunch fund to cover those students who run out of lunch money. This program only works as long as the money is repaid. Each week the office sends home notices with any amounts due. Thank you for sending payment to the office or submitting payment online.



Nurse's Corner

The holidays are finally among us. Many students will be traveling, having company, enjoying the snow and whatever else comes along.

While your children are on break, please remember winter safety. Wear helmets while skiing, snowboarding, ice skating, and wear appropriate clothing while outside. We also want to keep our children healthy by having them get the needed sleep, staying hydrated and

eating as healthy as possible during the holidays.

With the latest coughs, upper respiratory illnesses, and stomach bugs and other contagious bugs floating around, hopefully your kids will remain healthy during the break.

However, if they develop a cough that doesn't stop, fevers, or vomiting and diarrhea that hasn't subsided before school starts, please keep

your children home so we can start the new year with a healthy school.

Also, please check your child's head for lice before school begins. If you need to know how to check for lice, please contact the nurse's office.

Merry Christmas to you all, and have a safe and happy New Year as well.

Your School Nurse

Upcoming Dates

Jan. 6 - Inservice Day, No School

Jan. 7 - Back to School, Kick Off Assembly 3:00

Jan. 8 - APC meeting 4:15

Jan. 15 - Early Release, 2:10 Dismissal

Jan. 28 - PTA meeting 5:30

APC Information

Happy Winter Greetings!

The Academic Policy Committee has been working on the budget for Fiscal Year 2021. Without knowing the Governor's upcoming decisions on State funding, there are still questions to be answered. However, the school budget has been approved assuming flat funding.

Many thanks to all who submitted evaluations of our school, administrator,

and teachers. These have been compiled and discussed, and passed on to the evaluator. Staff members also completed evaluations of the administrator, which have been summarized for review by the school district.

The students spent 2-1/2 weeks working with Shala Dobson and Jim Dault creating mosaics for our entry art project. The Halstead family also completed a new metal sign for the school. We are excited for the final reveal in the near future!

The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 8th at 4:15 p.m. in the school library. Meetings are open to the public and we encourage parents to come share their ideas, thoughts, or concerns.

Thank you for all you do to make our school an amazing place!

