



Principal's Page

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

The staff at Chicago Park would like to wish you and your family the Happiest of Holidays!

WINTER BREAK

We will kick-off the Winter Break with a minimum day on December 20th, with school dismissal at 12:30. The break will continue from December 23rd – January 6th. School resumes on Tuesday, January 7th. We look forward to seeing your child refreshed, invigorated, and ready to learn.

HONORS ASSEMBLY AVAILABLE ON DVD

Were you unable to attend our first trimester Honor's Assembly? Did you come but forget your camera? Thanks to the efforts of **Danny Bernhardt's** grandparents, **Larry and Marcia Alter**, a video tape of the event has been made. DVD copies of the assembly are available for any family that may want one.

SNOW PLAY AT SCHOOL

Because soft snow quickly turns to coarse ice, and because it is very difficult for students to concentrate in the classroom in wet clothes, snowball throwing at school is not allowed. Students in the 4th-8th grade will get detentions if caught with snow in their hands. Students in the lower grades will get a time out. Thank you for being supportive when talking to your children about our school rules.

SCHOOL WIDE GEOGRAPHY BEE

For the 12th year in a row, Chicago Park School District will participate in the National Geographic Society's 4th-8th Grade Geography Bee. The qualifying rounds will be conducted between December 3rd - 11th, with the top ten students (minimum one from each grade level) advancing to the school championship competition on Friday, January 17th, at 12:50 in the gymnasium. This exciting event is open to the public if you wish to attend. The finalists will be announced at the Friday Flag Salute on December 20th.

CHRISTMAS TREE DONATION

We would like to thank **Jim and Debbie Bierwagen** for their generous donation of the Giving Tree for our Holiday Extravaganza.

DROP OFF/PICK UP

Please be mindful when you are dropping off your child for school and when you are picking them up not to block the Accessible Parking located at the beginning of the drive thru. If the car ahead of you leaves, and it is safe to do so, please pull forward as far as possible. This will help assure the drivers using the Accessible Parking area can get in and out as needed. Thank you for your cooperation.

SNOW DAY ON DECEMBER 9

The snow day we had on December 9 will not be made up by students. Instead, we will use one of our days for teacher training in Common Core Standards and the new Smarter Balance Test that will be administered next school year.

CLASSICAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Week of: January 07-10

Composer: Vivaldi

Piece: "Winter" from The Four Seasons

Week of: January 13-17

Composer: Prokofiev

Piece: Concerto in D Major 2. Arioso

DECEMBER CALENDAR

23-31 – **Winter Break** No School

JANUARY CALENDAR

01-03 – **Winter Break** No School

06 – **Staff Development** Day No School

07 – **School Resumes**

14 – **Site Council/Charter Advisory Meeting**
3:15

16 – **Board Meeting** 4:30

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Article Deadline – January 13, 2014

PTA CORNER

E-WASTE FUNDRAISER

Chicago Park PTA will be holding an E-Waste fundraiser with CEAR on February 1st from 9 a.m. till 1 p.m. For more information you may call **Liz Jurado** at 650-537-9521.

January Calendar

01 – Resolve2Run, 9am

10 – PTA Meeting, 8:45am

23 – PTA General Meeting, 6:30pm