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COMMUNITY SING

Mark your calendars for Thursday, December 18th at 6:30 p.m. to join us for our annual tree lighting and winter celebration. Please bring a can or box of non-perishable food to put around our giving tree. All donations will find their way to our local food bank. Enjoy our K-5 graders singing holiday favorites. Bring your camera for photo opportunities with Santa. Sharing a plate of your favorite holiday treats would be a welcome addition to go along with the hot chocolate we will serve after the performance.

Note: Please take your child (K-3rd) to the library and 4th-5th directly to their classroom by 6:15, so they may get ready for their performance. No children should be in the gym until they are accompanied by their teacher.

LOST AND FOUND

It's the season of cold mornings and warmer afternoons which means the Lost and Found is overflowing with jackets and sweatshirts! Please check to see if any of your children's belongings are there. The lost and found is located in the gym. We will be donating all unclaimed items to a local charitable organization on December 19th.

TOYS FOR TOTS

The U.S. Marine Corps Reserve is once again sponsoring "Toys for Tots". This year they have placed a box in the school office so that the community may drop off unwrapped toys for children in need. The toy drive will end on December 19th and all toys will be donated locally. For more information you may visit their website at www.toysfortots.org.

WINTER BREAK

We will kick-off the Winter Break with a minimum day on December 19th with school dismissal at 12:30. The break will continue from December 22nd - January 5th. School resumes on Tuesday, January 6th. We look forward to seeing your child refreshed, invigorated, and ready to learn.

KIDS CAN FOOD DRIVE

The Kids Can Food Drive to support our local Nevada County Food Bank is going on now! Canned goods can be sent with your child to their classroom. Please support hungry families in our area by donating now until December 18th.

STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Congratulation to the November Students of the Month!

TK – Ellis Rogers

KN – Piper Linster

1st – Alina Guzman, Jordan Cossairt

2^d – Seth Arcand, Kalia Evans

3rd – Brian Ferrero, Sophia Pendola-Link

4th – Alexander Cope, Giuliana Stroppini

5th – Teagan Gardner, Garrett Arcand

Academy – Nikolena Coonen, Logan Grimes, Keegan O'Sullivan

HONORS BINGO WINNERS

All who attended Honors Bingo on November 21st, had a great time. The winners were: Zachary Beach (4th), Dawson Yeager (5th), Garrett Arcand (5th), Jana Martello (8th), and Keegan O'Sullivan (8th). We would like to thank the PTA for providing the \$30 movie cards the winners received.

SCHOOL WIDE GEOGRAPHY BEE

For the 13th 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 1st-12th, with the top ten students (minimum one from each grade level) advancing to the school championship competition on Friday, January 16th, 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 19th.

CLASSICAL MUSIC PROGRAM

Week of: December 08-12

Composer: Handel

Piece: The Messiah "For Unto Us a Child is Born"

Week of: December 15-19

Composer: Vivaldi

Piece: "Winter" from 4 Seasons

DECEMBER CALENDAR

11 – Board Meeting 4:30

12 – Academy Dance 7:00-10:00

18 – Strum Bums

Community Sing 6:30

19 – Student of the Month Assembly 8:45

22-31 – Winter Break No School



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JANUARY CALENDAR

01-02 – Winter Break No School

05 – Staff Development Day No School

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Article Deadline – December 15, 2014

HEALTH AND WELLNESS CORNER

By Theresia Heinzle

Control your family's portion sizes. Since the 1980s portion sizes have gradually increased at restaurants and supermarkets. Whether it's soda, burgers, bagels or muffins; these are all proportionally much larger for our kids than they were for us when we were children. Since we have a tendency to feel that we need to finish what's on our plate, start small - especially when serving your kids. They can always have seconds. If you overload your kids' plates and then insist they finish their meal you are teaching them to overeat.

PTA CORNER

E-WASTE

Get rid of all your old electronics! The Chicago Park PTA has partnered with the local 4H to sponsor an e-Waste collection on Saturday, January 17th from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The proceeds from this event benefit both the Chicago Park School PTA and the Chicago Park 4H Club.

SAVE THE DATE

The Lasagna Dinner & Dessert Auction will be held on **Friday, February 6th at 6pm**. Support CPS by enjoying a lasagna dinner while spending time with friends, family, and fellow parents. And best of all... there'll be cake! Following dinner, the kids can win tasty treats at the cakewalk while the parents face off bidding on the assortment of beautiful cakes in the annual Cake Auction. Dinner tickets: \$7 for adults, \$4 for children, or \$20 for a family of four. Please pre-pay at the school office for your dinner. See you there!

DECEMBER PTA CALENDAR

12 – PTA Meeting 8:45 in Library

JANUARY PTA CALENDAR

01 – Resolve2Run, 9am