

THE PRINCIPAL'S NEWSLETTER – DECEMBER 2011

Dear Parents,

The Holidays are fast approaching, and we have a fun-filled month, with a lot of grade level activities, school-wide activities, and celebrations!

Our first exciting activity will be our PTA-sponsored **Book Fair!** The Book Fair will be held in the Media Center from December 2nd to December 9th! Each class will visit the Book Fair sometime during the week. Feel free to sign in at the Main Office, get a visitor's sticker, and visit the Book Fair! Children who would like to visit between 8:30 and 9:15 a.m. must be accompanied by an adult.

For all students, our **Winter Sing and Clarksburg HS Band Event** is scheduled for Friday, December 23rd. The time is yet to be determined. Mr. Furry, our music teacher, will lead us in singing songs to celebrate the upcoming winter season for the Winter Sing and Clarksburg High School Band will also perform. Songs performed will be Winter seasonal songs. If you do not want your child to participate in this event, and/or would like a list of songs or lyrics, please contact Mrs. Bosnic via email or phone by Monday, December 14th.

This is the season for giving, and our staff members appreciate very much the gifts that many receive from students during this time of year. It is such a generous way to show appreciation for all the work our staff members do for our students and school programs. This is a friendly reminder that our **school policy for gifts** remains a \$25.00 limit per semester for individual students and families giving gifts to a staff member, and a \$50 limit per semester for "whole class" gifts to a staff member. If the class wanted to give a class gift at the end of the year, and not give a class gift mid-year, the total value should not exceed \$100.

We want to thank our wonderful PTA in advance for the **Cookie Buffet** they will be providing to our staff on December 13th, and we hope to see everyone at the Germantown IHOP that evening for a stack of pancakes to support our Gibbs PTA for **Spirit Night!**

If you have any questions, please contact us. We wish you a safe and healthy Winter Break!

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Important December Dates!

12/1: Newsletters come home; Make Up Picture Day; Study Circles at 6:30 p.m.

12/2-12/9: Book Fair in Media Center

12/5: Interims come home

12/6: PTA Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Media Center, our School Wellness Committee will be presenting

12/8: Third Grade Field Trip to Air and Space Museum

12/13: Staff Cookie Buffet provided by Gibbs PTA; Gibbs Spirit Night at IHOP in Germantown

12/14: Second Grade Field Trip to Imagination Stage

12/23: Winter Sing Event

12/26/11-1/2/12: Winter Break! No School for Staff and Students!

1/3/12: School Resumes

