



# THE ROADRUNNER

## Updates and News

### Calendar Notes

- January 3**—Students and staff return to school
- January 6**—Everyone Belongs bullying awareness student assembly
- January 9&10**—Gr. 2 Mock TN/2 testing
- January 10**—Highly Gifted Center Testing for Gr. 3 applicants 9-11:30 a.m.
- January 11**—Grades 3-5 Mock Reading MSA
- January 11**—Data Notebooks go home
- January 16**—Holiday Martin Luther King Day (No school for students)
- January 16**—Skate for your School event 11-1p.m. Wheaton Ice Arena
- January 18**—Grades 3-5 Mock Math MSA
- January 20**—2nd Marking Period ends
- January 23**—Professional Day for teachers (No school for students)
- January 24**—3rd Marking Period begins
- February 1**—Report cards distributed
- February 3**—January Principal's Wall of Fame 1:30-3:30 p.m. All Purpose Room

### Character Pillar of the Month

**Fairness**

### Happy New Year and Welcome Back!

We wish everyone in the Rock View school community a happy New Year! We are looking forward to a terrific 2012!



### Winter Concert

Congratulations to our 1st and 2nd graders, as well as our 5th grade chorus for an outstanding Winter Concert. Our 5th grade chorus also performed right before Winter Break at the White Flint Mall during the mall's holiday music event. Thank you to all of the parents who came out to hear the performance—what a special event! Kudos to Mr. English and Ms. Kuttler for their time and effort to prepare our students for these performances—well done!

### Welcome to our New Staff

This week we welcome 3 new staff members to Rock View. Mr. Ryan Forkert, Acting Assistant Principal, is on loan from Luxmanor ES until Mr. Heatwole is scheduled to return in mid-February, Ms. Holly Nielson, teacher, joins our 4th grade team, and Ms. Kathleen Baraki joins the Learning Center team as a special education para educator. We are excited to have them join our school community!

### Winter Weather

We often get most of our winter weather in January. Winter weather emergencies may cause disruptions in school operations, including closure of schools, delayed opening, or unexpected early dismissal. If there is a possibility of snow, please check media sources for updates regarding closures and potential adjustments to the arrival or dismissal schedule. Please develop a specific plan and contingencies with your child now in preparation for potential unexpected early closings of school.

### Ice Skating Event

Have fun raising money for Rock View while ice skating during the Ice Skating "Fun"draiser on Monday, January 16 (no school due to Martin Luther King holiday), Wheaton Ice Arena will donate 15% of the total admissions between 11-1:30 pm. The fee is \$6.50 per person (include skate rental).

### Reminder—"Everybody Belongs" Assembly

On Friday, January 6, we will host the anti-bully assembly, "Everybody Belongs." During this assembly the students will hear lessons related to the types of bullying, developing empathy, the "Golden Rule," bystander skills, and talking to an adult when they need help. Thank you to Ms. Sheri Fogle, school counselor, for her efforts to organize and prepare for this assembly and our terrific PTA for financially supporting this assembly.