Woodland Wanderings

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A Message from Our Principal:

Dear Woodland Families,

Welcome to December! This is surely one of the more exciting months for our students. With the holiday season in full swing it is a good time to teach our students to be thankful and show them the value of generosity and kindness. This is also the month that we have the most days out of school. Parents, please use this time to continue helping our students in their learning.

There are a lot of interesting, fun ways to teach our kids the literacy and math skills they need to acquire and master. Reading and sharing stories with your child is one way; you can also allow children to keep a journal and have them write in it on a regular basis. You can also use numbers and measurement when preparing your favorite dish.

We need to continue to nurture and sharpen their brains so they can be ready when they come back to school after the holidays. Your support is greatly appreciated and I thank you for your continued support in all of your child's endeavors and academic success.

Happy Holidays to everybody! Sincerely, *Mike Clutter, Principal*

<u>Improving Attendance</u>

December 2014: Being in school every day-and on 22nd - 31st time-will help your child do well. Winter Break Are you supporting your January 2015: child's attendance habit? 1st - 2nd Answer the following Winter Break questions yes or no to find out: 19th ____1. Have you told your child that No School/MLK Day you expect him to go to school 23rd every day? If you tell him it's Movie Night! (PTA) important to you, it will become 29th - 30th important to him. No School/Grading 2. Do you ignore weak excuses? Not feeling like getting out of bed February: isn't a good reason to stay home. 16th No School 3. Do you keep your child home President's Day if he's sick? Reducing the spread of 20th illness can help others avoid Art Reflection Night missing school. March: 4. Do you try to make medical 13th and dental appointments outside **BINGO Night (PTA)** of school hours? 23rd-27th 5. Do you help your child set No School/Spring the alarm clock earlier if he has Break! trouble getting to school on time? April: How well are you doing? 15th No School Each yes means you are Conference Prep supporting your child's attendance. 16th – 17th No School For each Conferences no answer, try that idea.

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 PTA Meeting 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.	2	3 Early Release Woodland Student Council 11:55 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	4	5 Popcorn Day! (.50 cents)
8	9	10 Early Release	11	12
15	16	17 Early Release Woodland Student Council 11:55 a.m. – 12:25 p.m.	18 Student Awards Assembly 10:00 a.m.	19 Spirit Day! PJ's!



Thanks to fun puddles at recess, we are finding we are in dire need for spare sweat pants. Any donation (new or used) would be VERY much appreciated! Also, if your son/daughter has "borrowed" some, please send them back! Thank you so much!

<u>Check Out Mr. Turley's</u> <u>Music Web Page!</u> Did you know that you can access music at home online from Mr. Turley's Music Room Website?

Please go to: www.schoology.com/group/182322767

And visit as a guest or you can make a Schoology account and use this code: **ZP26W-JXBQF** to join Mr. Turley's Music Room Group.

You'll find music to download, print, or play from your computer, tablet or smartphone!





Here's Bolt to remind us to:

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful,
- and
- Be Responsible!

Hooray for our Terrific PTA!

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Did you know? Our Terrific PTA has created a Facebook page for Woodland Elementary School to keep you up-todate! Just go to:

https://www.facebook.com/pages/Woodland

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And click "Like" and you'll get the PTA updates!

Counselor Corner:

TEAM KIDS

This corner of the newsletter will provide information for parents on the topic that will be covered in Team Kids each month.

In November, Team Kids lessons are focused on **learning about feelings**. Students have learned important vocabulary of feelings and identified synonyms (words that have the same meaning) for glad, sad, mad and scared. Students learned that becoming aware of our feelings helps us understand and to communicate more clearly with others.

Students practiced being detectives to search for clues that help identify what others are feeling. The face, the body, and the situation give us clues to what others might be feeling. This awareness can help us to be a better friend.

Next week, classes will explore the topic of strong emotions such as anger. Students will learn helpful tools and practice appropriate ways of expressing these emotions. Calming, waiting, self-talk, and breathing can be helpful strategies when one is overwhelmed by a strong emotion.

Please feel free to call Mr. Clutter or me, Mrs. Larsen, if you have any questions about Team Kids. We look forward to talking with you.

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