

December, 2018

Happy December Broadwater Families,

I am always amazed at how quickly these months continue to fly by. Each December, I raffle off a "date to the Grand Street show" in December. The date that I have tickets to Willy Wonka is Sunday, Dec. 16 at 2:00. If you decide to let your child buy raffle tickets, please make sure that they are able to attend on that day. Tickets are \$0.25 for one, or 5 for \$1.00. Raffle tickets go on sale on Monday, Dec. 3!

Speaking of raffles, our wonderful PTO fundraiser is underway! This is such a simple fundraiser that generates great money for our Parent Council. If you have not sold your one book of tickets, please do so as soon as possible! The prizes are amazing, and we will draw the winners at the Holiday Program on December 12.

On **Thursday, December 6**, we will be caroling in our Broadwater neighborhood. We will meet at **6:30 PM**, carol around the neighborhood for about 45 minutes and then return to the lobby at school for cookies and hot chocolate. This is one of my favorite evenings! I hope you can join us. Remember to bring a flashlight or headlamp and dress for the weather.

First trimester ended on Wednesday, November 28. At the end of each trimester, teachers pick "Be Award" winners for the trimester. These awards, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe, and Be a Learner are presented at assemblies the first week of December. The 4/5 assembly will be **Tuesday, Dec. 4 at 9:15** and the K-3 assembly will be **Thursday, Dec. 6 at 2:30**.

On **Friday, December 7**, it's Movie Night at Broadwater! Movies always start at **6:15** and are over by 8:00. All students must be accompanied by an adult. The December movie is Babe. We hope to see you there! Free popcorn is also provided.

HPMP, the Helena Montessori parent group will be meeting **Monday, December 3 at 5:30 PM at Smith School**. This group is instrumental in keeping our Montessori classroom materials updated and providing our Montessori teachers the most recent professional development opportunities. We hope you can attend. If you can't, please watch for ways you can volunteer with HPMP.

On **Monday, December 10**, the Parent Council will be meeting at **6:30** in the teacher's lounge. We will be wrapping up our raffle, discussing Missoula Children's Theatre (coming in January), and planning many more wonderful events. PLEASE come! Many hands make light work.

The Holiday Program is **Wednesday, December 12 at 1:00**. Doors will open at 12:30. The program is being held at the **HMS Auditorium** this year! There will only be **ONE SHOW**. Please plan accordingly and know that parking will not be easy. Plan ahead and give yourself some walking time to get to the auditorium. Miss Skogley has sent several letters regarding program protocol. If you have not been able to buy the program attire for your child, please let me know as soon as possible. Each class has something different, so please make sure that you know what the expectation is for your child's class. Remember, we will be picking the winner of the first trimester volunteer award and also the raffle ticket winners!

Mrs. Delaney's class will be attending **StarBASE Dec. 17-21**.

Our last day of school will be **Dec. 21**. I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a happy holiday season. We return to school on **Wednesday, January 2**.

This month, students have been learning about the second habit, "Begin with the End in Mind." Students who begin with the end in mind plan ahead and set goals. They do things that have meaning and make a difference. They are an important part of their classroom and contribute to the school's mission and vision, and look for ways to be a good citizen. Students are talking about setting goals and ways to reach those goals. They continue to review ways to be proactive instead of reactive.

Please turn in your raffle tickets and money by Dec. 10! Thank you so much!

Have a wonderful December!

Mrs. Sweeney