



TROJAN NEWS

December 2017



Preserving the Innocence This Christmas

Watching kids grow up is bittersweet. When Junior takes his first steps, learns to use silverware, or wears a diaper for the last time, we smile and take pleasure at growth. Being a good parent means shepherding your child through these milestones on the pathway to adulthood. Their success reassures you you're doing a good job even when you wistfully look back on their disappearing childhood.

But while growing up is natural and unavoidable, there are certain aspects of growing up worth delaying. Before the golden age of television and the internet, children were buffered from viewing and hearing adult themes, violence, and foul language. Because they couldn't read at the level required to fully comprehend such things, seedy areas of adulthood were generally withheld until children reached a certain age, maturity, and level of understanding.

This is no longer the case. Because of television, movies, and the internet, children of any age can see and hear things once reserved for adults or not spoken of at all. Some days I cringe when students tell me what movies and TV shows they watched over the weekend. For no purpose at all they've witnessed violence and images they can't un-see, and experienced themes and scenarios their young minds are emotionally ill-equipped to handle. This should not be.

Childhood is a time of possibilities, wonder, imagination, where a Pollyanna-like outlook is acceptable, and even preferred. This Christmas season, the time of Santa Clause, Rudolph, and Frosty, I urge you to cherish and celebrate a healthy childhood naivety. Cultivate a sense of the extraordinary, and keep at arms-length the messiness of reality your kids will inevitably encounter soon enough as young adults. Preserve their innocence while you still can.

Special Points of interest:

Dec. 11- PTC Mtg.

Dec. 12- K-3rd grade and
Choir Christmas Program
6:00 p.m. Elem. Gym

Dec. 14- 2nd grade field trip
to The Nutcracker

Dec. 16- Cheer Clinic

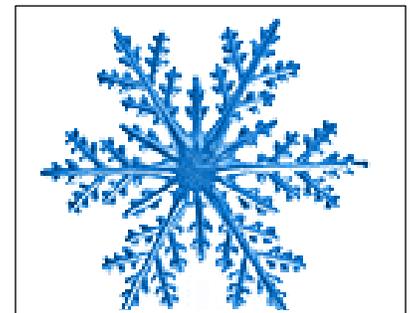
Dec. 21-Jan 3 Christmas
Break

Upcoming events:

Jan. 4-1st day back for
Students

Jan. 8- PTC Mtg.

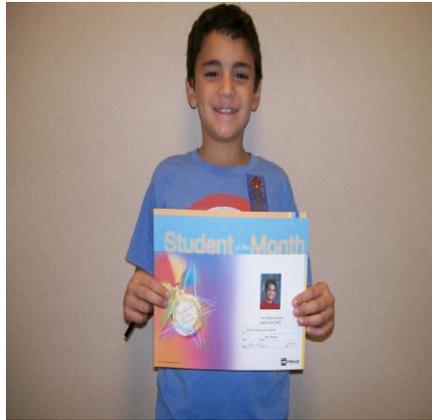
Jan. 15- Snow makeup day



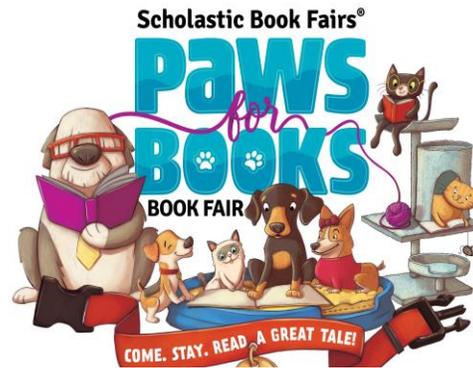
Student of the Month for

October

Liam Sanchez



Our Wild West Book Fair was a great success. Thank you to everyone that came to visit and/or purchase books. Thanks to all those purchases, we have lots of new money to buy great books. I would also like to thank the volunteers from PTC that came each day to help. We couldn't do it without you! I hope to see you at our next fair in April. I promise you'll have a doggone good time at the BOGO fair April 9-13 where you can "Get Your Paws on a Great Book!"



Nurse News

Flu Season is coming!! Be sure your child gets plenty of sleep--10-12 hours is great for young children/adolescents, cover coughs, drink plenty of water, and wash, wash hands. The Indiana Department of Health and Center for Disease Control "highly" recommends the flu vaccine for all children and adults. Please set up a time with the Health Department or your family physician to get the vaccine "now". It can prevent many respiratory illnesses all winter long.

News Update from the Cafeteria

Email notification is being used now for low balance on your child (ren) accounts. What this means is that our payment system automatically sends an email notification when your child falls below zero or if they have a negative balance.

Please keep your email address updated by contacting me via email jmurray@wcsc.k12.in.us, or by calling and letting the office staff know of the change. By doing this it will ensure that you are receiving the notices.

Another way to keep track of your child (ren) balances is by going to family.titank12.com and setting up an account with your child's id number. This way you get notification via text, email, or phone call letting you know when your child gets below the balance you set up.

If you have any questions please contact me and I will be more than happy to help.



December

POOL NEWS

Our gym/swim season is off to a fantastic start! Just a reminder, if you have lost your swim cap, you will need to replace it with a new one. Cap cost is \$2.00

The entire month of December you can enter open swim for free!

Anyone that brings a donation item for our pool area may swim for free and pick a concession snack. Donation Items include shampoo/conditioner, body soap, gently used or new towels, gently used or new swim suits or pool toys. Thank you in advance!

If frosty wore a swimsuit, what would it look like?

Coloring contest pages can be found in the pool area. Contest ends December 15. Prize winners will be announced Monday, December 18.

Next Month

WATER WARS!

OPEN TO ALL 3RD - 5TH GRADE STUDENTS

COMPETITIVE GAMES AND RACES

MORE INFORMATION COMING SOON!



Reindeer Games

Welcoming all cap colors to join us in December for Reindeer Games!

Organized Games, Activities and Free Time

Candy Cane Hunt, Snowman Slam, Rudolph Race, Hit the Grinch and much more!

Open Swim 3 - 4pm Monday & Wednesday

All Concession items .50

Merry Christmas !



Dear Parents & Guardians,

Our Christmas program is right around the corner! The program is for Grades K, 1, 2, 3, and our 4th/5th Choir. The show is December 12th and will start at 6:00 p.m. in the elementary school gymnasium. The students will take their places at 5:45 p.m. They will have an assigned place to sit on the performance platforms. It is very important that they remain with parents or guardians until 5:45. We realize some families will arrive before 5:45. Teachers will not be on duty until 5:45 so the children must remain seated with parents until that time. We want to avoid students running around unsupervised. Thank you for understanding! ☺



What to wear:

K-3: Students can dress nicely. Girls can wear nice dresses, dress pants & shirts, etc. Boys can wear a nice pair of jeans, dress pants, khaki style, etc.... along with a nice shirt. Students may wear Christmas style hats if they would like. Droopy Santa or elf hats, reindeer headbands, and hair bows/ribbons are all permitted. Christmas colors are welcome! Green, Red, White, Gold, Silver, Blue, Purple, etc....

4th/5th Choir: Black Pants or skirt, and a nice white shirt.

For parents of students with speaking parts, please refer to the letter sent home with their lines. Thank you!!

****Attendance is more important than anything. **** All of the students worked very hard and rehearsed many weeks for this special night. It is my hope that every student can attend!

If you have any questions, please email me at sadams@wcsc.k12.in.us or call the school to leave me a message and I will call you back. Thank you!! Mrs. Adams ☺

