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### December Events

December 2	NDES PTO Craft Show
December 7	Music Program at EC PAC
December 8	PTO Movie Night
December 11	PTO Meeting @ 3:30
December 11-15	Santa's Workshop
December 13	Early Dismissal
December 14	Corporation Board Meeting
December 22	End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter/1 <sup>st</sup> Semester
December 25	Start of Christmas Break
January 3	Classes Resume

\*\*\*\*\*Early Dismissal Reminder\*\*\*\*\*

Just a quick reminder, when on a 2 hour early dismissal please be sure to let your child's teacher know if their end of day transportation needs to be changed.



Mrs. Wilson, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students along with our chorus and percussion will be performing "A Holiday Celebration" program at the East Central Performing Arts Center on Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup>. Students should be dropped off at the cafeteria at 6:45 and the show will begin at 7:00. Dress your child in festive Christmas attire.

### LOST & FOUND TABLE

Just a reminder that if your child is missing clothing, jackets, water bottles, books etc. have them check the lost and found table. There are many items that still need to be claimed. When possible put names on their personal items so it is easier to find the owner.



**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY**  
Begins December 25<sup>th</sup> and Classes  
Resume January 3, 2017

## Craft Fair

The North Dearborn PTO is very excited to host our annual craft show. There is a wide array of crafters and vendors who will be here showcasing their products and talents. On December 2<sup>nd</sup> our doors open at 10:00 and the fair runs until 3:00. We will have concessions available throughout the event. Our NDES Chorus will get you in the holiday spirit by performing at 10:30. Everyone is welcome!



### Santa's Workshop December 11 - 15

Our NDES PTO elves have been busy getting ready for Santa's workshop. Students will have the opportunity to shop for inexpensive gifts for everyone on their list. A list of items will be sent home closer to the date.



Starting this month we are starting back up with the PTO Movie Night. This month's movie will be held on Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. The feature film will be Despicable Me 3. There will be pizza, snacks and beverages to purchase. Bring blankets, pillows, and chairs so you can relax and enjoy the show! Doors open at 6:00 and the movie begins at 7:00.

### CLASSROOM CHRISTMAS PARTIES

Classroom parties will be held on Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>. Parties will begin at 1:45 and go until 2:45. As a reminder, no younger siblings will be allowed to attend the party. Parents who are helping with the party must have a limited criminal background check already on file. Name badges will be available in the front lobby for those approved to attend. We would like to extend a warm Thank You for all those who volunteer.

## Operation Christmas Child



Some very generous 5<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in operation Christmas Child. They packed 44 shoeboxes with various small gifts and personal supplies for children 2-14 years old. The shoeboxes were shipped all over the World to children living in poor and war torn countries. Job Well Done!

## Edible Landfill Program

Molly Resendes, an educator from the Dearborn County Recycling Center will be here on December 8<sup>th</sup> to teach our 5<sup>th</sup> Graders about how landfills are created and what goes into a landfill. Generally, landfills are composed of a series of layers designed to isolate the buried garbage from the surrounding environment. To help students understand they will be creating their own landfill (ex. Tires are represented by chocolate cheerios) that they will be able to eat! They will also learn about closed landfills that have been turned into parks, golf courses, ski hills etc.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Boys Basketball



Any 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade boy interested in playing basketball can fill out a registration form and send it in by December 20<sup>th</sup>. Forms can be found online or in the front office.

There will be 1 or 2 practices a week and games on Saturdays. Questions can be directed to Steve Coffman 812-584-6181 or by email [jscdeuce1970@yahoo.com](mailto:jscdeuce1970@yahoo.com)



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY INDIANA!!!

Did you know that Indiana will be celebrating its 201st birthday on December 11? Our 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students will be celebrating on the 8<sup>th</sup> by making Indiana Shaped Cookies and learning fun and interesting facts about our great State.

# Food & Nutrition

New Guidelines for Classroom and Birthday Treats

The USDA requires that ALL snacks provided to students throughout the school day, including birthday and classroom parties, must meet the Smart Snack Standards. Smart Snacks can be purchased from the cafeteria or local grocery stores. For a list of approved Smart Snacks that you can purchase at the grocery store or an order form to purchase snacks through the cafeteria, please visit Cafeteria & Menus found at [www.sunmandearborn.k12.in.us](http://www.sunmandearborn.k12.in.us).

If you have any questions regarding the Smart Snack Guidelines or approved snacks, please contact Cheryl Erhart, Director of Food and Nutrition Services at 812-623-2291 X 13809 or [caerhart@sunmandearborn.k12.in.us](mailto:caerhart@sunmandearborn.k12.in.us)

To assist parents with making this USDA requirement easier, you can purchase birthday and classroom party snacks through our cafeteria and they will be delivered to the classroom. You can also find a link for fun and easy holiday party ideas.

## attendance

We are aware that our system is showing all absences as unexcused on the Parent Portal. We update attendance daily and it does show correctly on our end. We apologize for the inconvenience, our technology department is aware of the issue and are working to correct it. As a reminder:

- School begins at 8:10
- Student is tardy after 8:10
- Student is marked 1/2 day absent after 8:40
- Student is marked 1/2 day absent if you leave before 2:30
- Student is marked afternoon tardy after 2:30



We encourage parents to stay connected with school and student information. Below are a few ways to find information:

**WEBSITE** - [sunmandearborn.k12.in.us](http://sunmandearborn.k12.in.us)

**TWITTER** - @northdearborn

**FACEBOOK** - Families of Sunman Dearborn Community Schools

**POWERSCHOOL** - Log in to your student(s) account

**PTO MTGS** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday each month at 3:30

**CORP BOARD MTGS** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month 7:00