



## Mrs. Speelman's 2B Newsletter December 2016

### Raz Kids

I have set everyone up with a Raz kids username and password. If you did not receive log in information at parent teacher interviews, I have stapled it into your child's agenda. This will be our home reading program for this year. If you need more ideas on helping your child progress in their reading, please see me! I have lots of fun game ideas and they won't even know they are practicing their reading and sight word skills!



### Important Dates

**Dec 7** - Scholastic book orders due.

**Dec 8** - MMH Christmas Gala 6-8:30

**Dec 9** - last day for Angel tree donations

**Dec 13** - Hot lunch

**Dec 19-23**—Mon, Wed, Fri caroling at 8:30, Tues, Wed Caroling at 12:30

**Dec 21** - Skating 12:45-1:45, cookie decorating, and card exchange,

**Dec 22**- Movie afternoon

**Dec 23**—Christmas party (bring a game)

**Dec 23** - Mrs Wenaas will be here guest teaching for Mrs Speelman.

### Christmas Gala

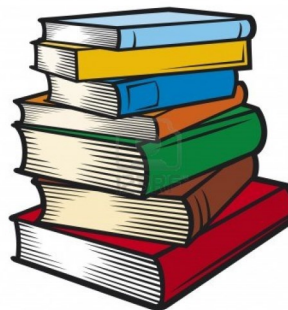
Just a reminder that the Christmas Gala is scheduled for December 8<sup>th</sup> from 6 — 8:30 pm! This will be a wonderful evening celebrating Christmas with our MMH families. There will be craft and activity rooms, stories, snacks, dancing, caroling, and movies. You may want to "dress up" as best you can for this occasion! We are not saying it is "formal" or even "semi-formal", but are asking everyone to make it a bit more special by dressing up. More information will be coming home from the office with specific details for the event!

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### Scholastic Book orders

Book orders should have arrived home last week! If you would like to order please have them back to me no later than Dec 7<sup>th</sup>!! I'm good at keeping a secret if you would like to order for Christmas gifts!



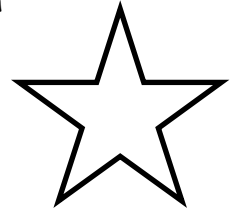
If you haven't already done so, please return the report card envelope signed so I know that you saw it!! Thanks so much!



### **Star Student**

The expectation for this presentation is that your child bring some sort of presentation (poster, PowerPoint, video...whatever you want) to tell about them, your family, and all of their favorite things!! This gives myself and the class an opportunity to learn about each other as well as giving the star an opportunity to speak in front of the group about a topic that they are an expert on...themselves! They may also bring a treat or snack to share with the class (26 students) as well as a show and tell item! You are invited to stay for this presentation if you can, if not, that is ok too!

If you didn't make it to parent teacher interviews (or forgot to sign up) here is a list of available Fridays for your child to have their star student day! Jan 20, Jan 27, Feb 3, Feb 10, March 10, March 24, March 31, April 7, May 5, June 2, June 9, June 16, June 23. We may have to double up or do some on Thursday in order to get everyone a chance before the end of the year! Email me at [Sherese.speelman@lethsd.ab.ca](mailto:Sherese.speelman@lethsd.ab.ca) to reserve a Friday! Maybe send a couple options just in case. First come first served! I'll send a reminder note home when it is your week!



### **Christmas Homemade Card Exchange**

We are having a Home Made Card Exchange in 2B! It is a personal, inexpensive way for the children to experience giving. You will receive a classmates name inside an envelope who you will then create a special homemade card for! SHHHHH, keep it a surprise until exchange day on the 21st!! Please help your child with this fun project and return it back to school by December 12th.



#### **Christmas Party**

To wind down for the Christmas season we will have a party with snacks and games on Friday, Dec 23rd. Students are welcome to bring simple board games that they love and can easily teach others to play!

Thanks for those that signed up for snacks! We have 26 students!

- Fruit Tray—Austin
- Veggies and Dip—Mackie
- Chees and crackers—Allen
- Cookies—Calum
- Juice Boxes—Zander
- Plates and Napkins—Aurora

### **Skating**

See attached note for all the skating details on Dec 21st! After skating we will be decorating cookies and enjoying hot chocolate! Thank you to those that have already signed up to bring treats for this event! Please let me know if you are willing to fill any of the empty spaces. We have 26 students!

- Sugar cookies**—Owen
- Gingerbread cookies**—Mackie
- Icing/decorations**—
  - Conner
  - Alex
  - Mia
  - ?? (2 more would be great)
- Hot Chocolate**—Austin
- Plates and cups**—???

### **Dressing for the Weather**

PLEASE make sure your child has a pair of indoor shoes for those yucky wet days!! It is extremely important to have those indoor shoes just in case there is a fire drill or real emergency where we must exit the building quickly with no time to put on boots etc. Students are more than welcome to keep those shoes at school at all times!