

# ~ The Primary Post ~

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## December 2020



### Important Dates

- ◆ **December 1** - Progress Reports go home! DRA Testing begins for First Grade ONLY! Istation Testing begins for Kindergarten and First Grade!
- ◆ **December 3** - Christmas Pictures - Cost \$5.00!
- ◆ **December 3 & 4** - Winning Fundraiser Classes get a Movie Treat - On Campus!
- ◆ **December 4** - Early Release @ 1:30 PM!
- ◆ **December 7** - Carthage Christmas Parade --- Downtown @ 6:30 PM!
- ◆ **December 8 - 10** - *The Polar Express* on Campus - Classroom Teachers will provide more details!
- ◆ **December 15 & 16** - Early Release @ 1:30 PM!
- ◆ **December 16** - Christmas Parties - Classroom Teachers will provide more details! End of 3<sup>rd</sup> Six Weeks!
- ◆ **December 17 - January 5** - Christmas Holidays!
- ◆ **January 3 & 4** - Staff Development Days!
- ◆ **January 6** - Classes resume! Istation Testing begins for Kindergarten and First Grade!
- ◆ **January 8** - Report Cards go home!

## Principal's News

I hope that you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday and are ready to enter into a beautiful Christmas season!

Even though this year has brought a multitude of changes, the teachers have done a great job of trying to keep the fun activities that accompany this time of year as close to normal as possible. With that said, the kids will soon enjoy taking Christmas pictures, participating in the Polar Express event, making ornaments and delighting in a festive Christmas party. Again, these events might look slightly different, but the kids will certainly have fun and make memories with their classmates! Your child's classroom teacher will soon send home more information pertaining to the events mentioned above!

In addition, our campus made a HUGE contribution of canned goods and non-perishable food items to The Samaritan House of Carthage! Thank you so very much for your support and generosity!

In closing, our campus has quickly gone from "Gobble, Gobble, Gobble!" to "Ho, Ho, Ho!" As I meander throughout the building, I see Pilgrims, Indians, and pumpkins coming down and snowmen, elves, and Christmas trees going up! It looks spectacularly seasonal around this place and I LOVE IT! I hope you all enjoy a safe and restful holiday break filled with special moments and happy times with family and loved ones!

*Merry Christmas &  
Happy, Happy New Year!  
All my love ~  
Kiley Schumacher*

## Counselor's Corner

Dear Parents,

This six weeks our students will be studying the character trait GRATITUDE. Do you have gratitude? Do you appreciate what others do for you? Are you thankful for what you have? Do you show that you are grateful? During this holiday season, I hope you are able to reflect on all of life's abundant gifts. In addition, it is a fitting time to teach our children how to show others their appreciation for gifts received!

I hope you all have a safe and happy Christmas and New Year!

Sincerely,  
Sherri Penn Smith, Counselor



Carthage Primary School will be taking nominations for Kindergarten GT during the month of January. This is for current Kindergarten students! Nominations for First Grade GT will be taken during the month of March. You can come by the Counselor's Office at Primary for more details.

