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December Dates

- December 10–
PTO Social at 6:00
- December 17
School Spelling Bee
- December 19
Last day of 2nd Qtr.
- December 19
Wildcat Assembly
- December 20– Jan. 4
Winter Break– No School
- January 7
Third Quarter Begins

“Loving to Learn Learning to Love”

The Staff and I are committed every single day to help our students “love to learn and learn to love”. We want the very best for our students to become young people who can find their place in this world– academically and socially. We will take time in January to work as a team to plan for our second semester to do build on what we have started. We know that our time is precious with our students and we look forward to the next year to come

The Washington teachers and staff would like to wish you and your family a warm, safe, and happy winter break!

PTO News– Melissa Werner, PTO President

Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon

The cafeteria looked quite festive for the Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon thanks to the volunteer crew of **April Heard, Barry Burns, and Chelsea Rodman! Special thanks goes to Randal Wright and Eventures Party Rentals** for providing the tables and linens in the gym. Thanks also goes to **Mr. Andrews**, Washington's former Music Teacher, who treated us with some piano tunes in the cafeteria. And of course much thanks and appreciation goes to our hard working kitchen staff for preparing the Thanksgiving feast for our families to enjoy, the "take-down" trio of **April Heard, Barry Burns, and Marlys Bitner** or taking down the Thanksgiving decor, the custodians for quickly cleaning up our mess, and all the other volunteers who contributed to making it such a special day for many Washington families.



PTO Winter Social 6-8pm

Monday, December 10

Hosted by Melissa and Randy Werner
 504 E. Lafayette

Library News, Mrs. Champagne

The Fayetteville Public Library I-Cards are in! I will be working with each class in December to show students what the library I-Cards can do! I-Cards make FPL online resources accessible to students from school or home. With these cards, students have access to live homework help tutors, practice tests, language learning, database research and downloadable ebooks, eAudiobooks, movies, music and comics. Look for your child's I-Card in their Monday Folders the week of Dec. 10th. If you have any questions please contact me Danielle.Champagne@fayar.net

The Fall Book Fair was a success! Thank you to everyone that helped make it possible! Winners of the Family Night Book Baskets were Taylen Curtsinger and Cyrus Randall!



Annual Holiday Breakfast for Teachers and Staff:

The annual Holiday Breakfast for Washington Teachers and Staff is scheduled for Friday, December 14. I know it is such a busy time of the year, but please consider bringing a dish for them to enjoy - it can be homemade or you can pick something up from the store. Some teachers have dietary restrictions, so having a few gluten-free and vegetarian-friendly would be much appreciated! If you do bring something homemade, consider leaving a copy of the recipe (I know the teachers have asked for them in the past).

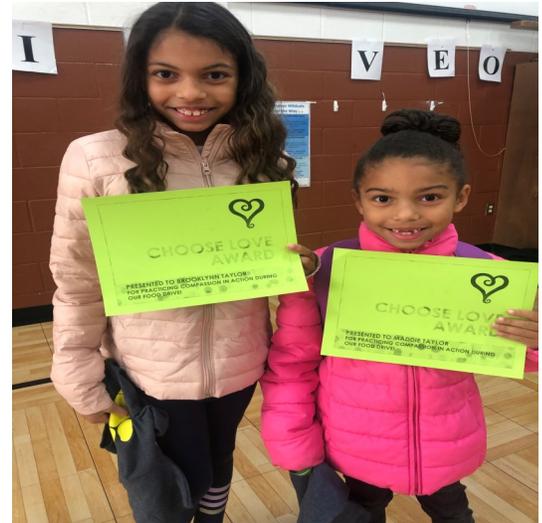
Items just need to be dropped off at the office before 8:30 that morning.

If you are interested in bringing a dish, please If you are interested in bringing a dish, please

contact Cassie Linton (cassielinton79@gmail.com) and let her know what you plan on bringing (she will be keeping a list of the items being brought - trying to make sure we have a good selection of items for the event).

WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY MUSIC ENRICHMENT PROJECT

The Washington Elementary Music Enrichment Project featuring the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra's Quapaw Quartet was a hit with students! Fun, engaging, and lots of excitement: everyone seemed to have a wonderful time! Thanks to the Fayetteville Public Education Foundation for funding the project and to Washington Parent, Emily Bridges, for writing the grant request for the project. For more information about the foundation visit <http://www.fayedfoundation.org>



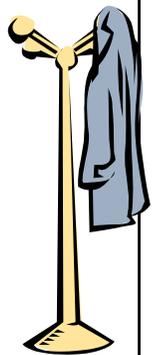
Congratulations to Brooklyn Taylor and Madeline Taylor For Choosing Love. These girls are November's Choose Love Recipients.



Lost and Found

Last call for Lost and Found. In order to prepare for the second semester, we will be taking all clothing items not claimed and giving them to a local charity.

Please check the lost and found rack next to the gym.



*Parents and Guardians-
If you have moved or have a new telephone number or email,
Please contact our school office so we can update our records.*

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December is National safe toy and gifts month!

When it comes to toys and gifts, the excitement and desire to get your child(ren) their favorite toys may cause shoppers to forget about safety factors associated with them. Before you make toy purchases, please remember to consider the safety and age range of toys. You should consider the age and individual skills and abilities of your child. Here are some other things to consider:

Remember to inspect toys your child has received.

Look for labels that assure you the toy has passed a safety inspection- "ATMS" means the toy has met the American society for Testing and Materials standards.

Gift sports equipment toys with protective gear (give a helmet w/ a bike/skateboard). Do not give toys w/ small parts to young children due to the choking risks.

Do not give toys with ropes and cords or heating elements.

Do not give crayons/markers unless they are labeled "nontoxic".

Check toys at least every 3 months any broken or loose parts and repair.

Washington Elementary School Staff wishes you and your family a fun and safe toy and holiday season!

Washington Students shared their leadership skills with both U.S. Congressman Steve Womack and a group from Leadership Fayetteville. Students greeted our guests and toured them around the school. Our guests also visited several classrooms to see how leadership skills are used in the classroom. Our students did a fantastic job on showing our we implement The Leader In Me.