



# Marcellus Elementary December 2016 Newsletter

## Christmas Party Details Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>

**Ms. Schluckbier's Class** – party will be from 11:00 – 11:55 with a coloring book gift exchange.

**Mrs. DeMott's Class** – party will be from 11:00 – 11:55 with a coloring book gift exchange

**Ms. Vineyard's Class** – party will be from 11:10 – 11:55 with a puzzle gift exchange

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade Classes** – parties will start at 12:40 with a gift exchange of an activity book with markers

**Mrs. Smetana's Class** – party will be from 12:15 – 1:00 with a gift exchange that everyone will bring in 24 of the same item.

**Mrs. Monroe's Class** – party will be from 12:15 – 1:00 with a gift exchange that everyone will bring in 25 of the same item.

**Mrs. Smith's Class** – party will start at 1:00 with a \$5.00 limit gift exchange. Boy buys for a boy and girl buys for a girl

**Mrs. Martin's Class** – party will start at 2:00 with a \$5.00 limit gift exchange. Boy buys for a boy and girl buys for a girl

**Mrs. Tone's Class** – party will be at 1:30 with a hot chocolate mug gift exchange.

**Mr. Essex's Class** – party will be at 1:30

**5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Classes** – are planning a roller skating party to Skate Galaxy in Three Rivers.

## Santa's Express Christmas Shopping

Santa's Express will run for one day only on Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup>. Students that bring money to shop will have the opportunity to buy Christmas gifts for their family members. Everything at Santa's Express will be \$1.00. Please look for a form to come home at a later date

## Fundraiser Sticker Machine

The School Spirit Sticker Machine is a great new addition to our school's fundraising efforts. The machine is located near the main office and for 50 cents, students can purchase a kid-friendly sticker of their choice from several different selections. The product selections are updated regularly and we will soon have our own customized "School Spirit" stickers in the machine as well! More details can be found at: <http://stickermachineintro.com>. We receive a portion of all stickers' sales, so please consider supporting our school in this way.

## Reminder School Store

Is open every Tuesday and Friday during lunch times

monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday	friday
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
			1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Christmas Play	
12	13	14	15	16
		Santa's Express		Christmas Parties
19	20	21	22	23
NO School	NO School	NO School	NO School	NO School
26	27	28	29	30
NO School	NO School	NO School	NO School	NO School
Jan 2, 2017	Jan 3, 2017			
	School Resumes			

## 1st and 2nd Grade Performance

The 1st and 2nd grade classes will perform a telling of “Olive The Other Reindeer” on Thursday, December 8th at 1:30 and 6:30

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## Art News by Ms. Semark . . .

The Art to Remember program was very successful, thanks to all the supportive parents and other relatives who ordered beautiful keepsakes with their child’s artwork on them. The final figures are not in yet, but will be reported in a later newsletter. The items you ordered are due to be delivered the second week of December. If there are any discrepancies, please let me know. You may also order online for awhile if you missed ordering by the deadline, with the understanding that the items will not be here in time for Christmas. Please contact me if you can’t find your student’s code.

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## TOYS FOR TOTS

There is a collection box in the lobby by the office. If you would like to donate a new unwrapped toy please drop off by December 15th.



## Give specific examples when you talk to your child about respect . . .

Children who respect their parents will respect their teachers. As a result, they will pay attention to what the teachers say and learn more.

However, the best way to get your child to show respect is not by talking about an abstract idea that may be hard for him/her to understand. Instead try talking about specific actions he/she can take to show respect.

For example, when your child interrupts you, you might say, “When some else is talking, it’s respectful to listen until the person is finished. Then you can have your turn.”

You can also ask if your child can come up with specific behaviors that would show respect. “What can you do to show your teachers respect?” Your child could raise his/her hand, complete homework on time and pay attention in class.

When your child does something respectful, help him/her make the connection. “I loved the way you showed respect to your grandmother when she came to visit. You helped her with her luggage and thanked her for the gifts she gave you.”