

## December 2015

### ***Dates to Remember***

December 2	End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester – 11:55 dismissal
December 4	Student of the Month Assembly – 2:00 Primary & 2:40 Intermediate
December 10	Family Night – 5:00 to 6:30 pm (more info coming)
December 11	Report Cards Go Home
Dec 21 – Jan 1	No School – Winter Break

December days for 90 minute early release @ 1:55 pm

December 9 & 16



### **WINTER BREAK**

December 21 through January 1, 2016

December 18<sup>th</sup> will be a regular school day

Have a wonderful and safe holiday!

*See you January 4<sup>th</sup>!*

**Lost & Found** - If you are missing any jackets, please check the lost and found. Any items left after December 18<sup>th</sup> will be donated to a local charity.

**HOUSING QUESTIONNAIRE** - Attached to this newsletter you will find a Housing Questionnaire. Please take a moment to fill this out and return it to the school with your child. This survey allows the school district to ensure we are providing families with access to resources as appropriate.



## **WE APPRECIATE YOU!!!**

December 7-11 has been set aside for showing our appreciation of our custodians, Cheryl Larson, our chief custodian and Ryan McCormick, our night custodian. Our custodians work very hard to keep our school clean and safe for our students and staff at James Sales. They help us maintain the playground, clean up classrooms and building, help at breakfast and lunch, and do countless other jobs. Please join us in giving them a BIG THANK YOU!!!!

## **VIRTUE OF THE MONTH (November) – Team Work**

We are recognizing students that emulate this virtue. These students were recognized on November 6<sup>th</sup>: Ezra Baptista, Royal Barrington, Jack Sochor, Kalani Ioane, Kayla Kaikala, Jaiciana Butler, Ariana Rodriguez, Karla Rivera Perez, Sam Barnett, Ariyanna Beacham, Dana Morales-Estanol, Faith Villegas, Brooklyn Momoe, Daute Walton, Addysen Williamson, Elizabeth Jurado Beltran, and Miranda Campos-Guzman. ***We are proud of your example!***

## **STUDENT OF THE MONTH - November**

This is an honor given to students who have been nominated by their teacher for special recognition of their citizenship and positive choices. November nominations are: Kindergarten – Ariyana Neth Miguel Garcia-Meirndorf, Carter Belcher, Madelyn Linehan, Pablo Castro Cisneros, Peyton Kelly; 1<sup>st</sup> Grade – Sandra Madriz Sanchez, Jasynn Nevile, Rosendo Silva, Sofia Smith; 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Azarae Day, Orion Mam, Mitchell Rodriguez, Elijah Harold Neyanna Shaw, Yuriko Lemus-Ortega, Trevyn Sawyer; 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade – David Arellano-Trujillo, Isaac Revel, Austin Ramoie; 4<sup>th</sup> Grade – Jackson Roberson-Brice, Isaac Talo; 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Alan Palacios Torres, Yahari Rendon Calvo, and Numori Monteith. These students were recognized on November 6<sup>th</sup>. ***Congratulations to all!***

**James Sales 2015-2016 Yearbook.** \$12.00 if ordered by 2/12/16 or \$15.00 if ordered after 2/12/2016. Payment is due with your order - we don't have change in the office or if paying by check, make check payable to: Lifetouch. ***You can order your yearbook online!*** Go to [www.ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://www.ybpay.lifetouch.com) [ID Code: 1794316]. Yearbooks will be available to go home the last week of school.



## **KID'S CORNER GIFT SHOP**

PTO will be running the Kid's Corner Gift Shop for 2 days; on Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Library. The shop will be opened before school from 8:30 to 9:00 am and after school until 4:30 pm. Parents must accompany their student for the after school times of the gift shop! *(Students will also be allowed to shop these days during their library specialist time)*

PTO NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP!!! If you are cleared as a volunteer and available to help, please call Janet @ 253/227-6359 or email @ [jamesalespto@gmail.com](mailto:jamesalespto@gmail.com).

*PTO also could use some help setting up the gift shop on December 1<sup>st</sup> after school.*

**Parents, did you know....** That when you check your student out early, it will count against their attendance the same way that a tardy counts in the morning. Depending on the time, it could even be a half day absence. Attendance matters - on time, all day, every day!

### **ATTENDANCE**

***The goal for students this year is to have 8 or fewer tardies and/or absences.*** At the end of each trimester, all students who have missed less than 8 days or have had less than 8 tardies will receive a reward. Examples of rewards are smoothies, extra recess time and special assemblies will be offered.

### **BEHAVIOR**

We will also be rewarding student at the end of each trimester for excellent behavior. Students with "0" write-ups at the end of each trimester will receive a reward. At the end of year, PTO will be sponsoring a field trip for all students that had "0" write-ups.



Our two top selling students for the catalog fundraiser are - ***DeMarco, who sold 48 items (Mrs. Isaacson's class) and Carmen, who sold 39 items (Mrs. Popkov's class)!!!*** Congratulations and thank you for your hard work! In addition to the prizes offered by the company and the limo ride, they won a giant bear or a bag of Minions goodies.

Thank you to all of our sellers, customers (including our staff) and contributors! 143 students earned \$4,287.80 towards our field trip goal of \$8,400! Look for the chocolate sale in the spring.

The school year's first Box Tops Class Competition ended in November. Congratulations to Mrs. Shearer's class - students (and Mrs. Shearer) brought in 986 Box Tops!! That equals \$98.60. Keep clipping!

The Labels for Education Class Competition ends December 15.

Kids Holiday Shoppe, tentatively on December 2 and 3, needs your help!  
[JamesSalesPTO@gmail.com](mailto:JamesSalesPTO@gmail.com) or 253-227-6359

Help Wanted: Someone to write the PTO Newsletter this school year. Contact us at  
[JamesSalesPTO@gmail.com](mailto:JamesSalesPTO@gmail.com)

More Help Wanted: We need James Sales family members to be board members next school year. We can train you this year. Contact us at [JamesSalesPTO@gmail.com](mailto:JamesSalesPTO@gmail.com)