

**Santa's Workshop:** We will host Santa's Workshop December 4-7<sup>th</sup>. Students will be able to visit and shop for their families. Gifts will range in price from \$.50-\$8.00 and will come home wrapped that day or the next. Students love to shop for each member of their families and surprise them on Christmas. Please help your child/children decide who all to shop for and send in money if you want them to participate <sup>(2)</sup>

**2023** Christmas Show: Please mark your calendars and come to our Christmas program on December 14<sup>th</sup>. Each grade is participating in the program and you will hear lots of beloved Christmas tunes. You may also see some of your teachers take the stage! So, come, sit back, sing along, and get in the holiday spirit. Students need to report to their classrooms at 5:45 and the show will start at 6:00. Bring your friends, family, and neighbors and enjoy the show!!! You may park at the school, playground or across the road from the school in the field, (thanks to the Collins family for allowing us to park there <sup>(3)</sup>). If possible, please carpool to help with parking.

#### Coming to School and Going the Extra Degree:

At 212 degrees, water boils, produces steam, and can power machines. That 1 extra degree turns hot water into something extraordinary. Our theme this year is "212" and we want teachers, students, and parents to work for that extra degree. As an attendance incentive, each classroom is working to earn "degrees" by having 100% attendance. Each class can earn 10 degrees each day by having every student in class for the day. Each student absence costs the class a degree. As classes reach 212 degrees, a special gym class reward will be given. Congratulations to Mrs. Hurd's 1<sup>st</sup> grade class for reaching 212 degrees. They earned making s'mores by a fire pit. Let's continue to go the extra degree by coming to school on time each day!

**BoxTops for Education:** Please remember to download the Box Top app and scan your receipts. Make sure you select your child's grade to give them credit. The grade with the most BoxTops at the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> nine weeks (due Dec. 12) will have popcorn and a short holiday movie. Congratulations to 5<sup>th</sup> grade for winning the 1<sup>st</sup> nine weeks and enjoying caramel apple slices. (Please note that there was not an option for Pre-K on the app, so Pre-K is listed as Grade 8.) This is an easy way to make money for our school. Thanks for your help 😳

**Book Fair:** Thank you SO MUCH to everyone for shopping at the Book Fair! It was a great success and ALL proceeds go towards purchasing new books and materials for our school library! Your support and generosity are greatly appreciated! Sincerely, *Mrs. Ervin* 

# Yuma Elementary December 2023

### <u>14 Days of Christmas (Fun days in</u> December):

- \*1<sup>st</sup> Candy Cane Day-wear red/white
- \*4<sup>th</sup> We will write letters to Santa or friends
- **\*5<sup>th</sup>** Tree topper day-wear Santa hats/reindeer antlers/Christmas headbands, etc.
- **\*6<sup>th</sup>** We will make Christmas cards for Nova residents and have popcorn
- \*7<sup>th</sup> We will decorate Christmas cookies
- \*8<sup>th</sup> STEAM Day
- \*11<sup>th</sup> We will have a Gingerbread House Contest
- \*12<sup>th</sup> Tinsel Tuesday-wear tinsel/light-up necklace/anything sparkly
- \*13<sup>th</sup> Snowman day-dress like a snowman
- \*14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Program 6:00 pm
- \*15<sup>th</sup> Polar Express Day -wear PJ's
- \*18<sup>th</sup> Grinch Day-dress like the Grinch/wear green
- \*19th Ugly Christmas sweater/shirt day
- **\*20**<sup>th</sup> 1:00 dismissal (dress like your favorite Christmas character)

#### *Early Dismissal Day (Dec. 20th):* Just a

reminder that we will have an early dismissal on December 20<sup>th</sup>. Below is the schedule we will follow:

- 12:30 car bell (Pre-K 2<sup>nd</sup> grade)
- 12:45 car bell (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grades)
- 1:00 Kevin's first run will leave YES
- 1:15 Other buses will leave YES

## **Important Dates**

#### <u>December:</u>

- <u>4-7<sup>th</sup> Santa's Workshop</u>
- <u>12<sup>th</sup></u> BoxTop deadline
- 14<sup>th</sup> Christmas Program 6:00
- 20<sup>th</sup> Early Dismissal 1:00
- Dec. 21-Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>- Christmas Break (schools closed)

#### January:

5<sup>th</sup> Students return from Christmas Break

The faculty and staff at Yuma Elementary wish you and your family a very safe and blessed holiday. Thank you for entrusting us with your most precious gifts! We appreciate all you do in support of your children and our school! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

