



Wichita Friends School Newsletter

Winter Edition Volume 14

Upcoming Events

Dec. 10

- 4/5/6 grade Prairie Homestead

Dec. 11

- Los Posadas 2:45

Dec. 17

- Polar Express Day

Dec. 18

- End of 2nd 9 weeks
- All School - Caroling/Food Bank day

Dec. 21

- Conferences

Dec. 21 – Jan. 1

- No school – Christmas Break

Jan. 4

- Return Back to School

Reminders

Warm Hats, Coats & Gloves

- ✓ We go outside unless the temperature or wind chill is 15°F or below
- ✓ Please provide your child with weather-appropriate coats, hats and gloves

Inclement Weather/School Closure:

- Check local TV / radio newscasts for information
- Check our website: www.wichitafriendsschool.org
- Closures normally posted by 6:00 am

Kid Free Shopping!

Refer a friend and do some kid free shopping! Remember that with the Referral Rewards program you can cash in on a free latchkey session (for you currently enrolled student) whenever someone you refer to the school comes for a tour. There are 8 slots open in the pre-kindergarten program for next semester. Coupons are available in the foyer.

We Are Thankful!

The play and dinner were a great success and we extend a big thank you to everyone that was involved with the plans, practices, decorations, costumes and for helping all the children learn their lines, as well as those that brought food and helped with the coordination, preparation and clean-up.



Help Us, Help You!

This year the semester ends on December 18th and conferences are December 21st. With no school that week, we are trying to assess the need for latchkey services on Monday or Tuesday. All day latchkey sessions cost \$18 per day per student and are added to your weekly latchkey statement. In order to be able to provide this service we need to have at least 5 children who would attend. Please look over the sign-up sheet in the front foyer and let us know what your need might be. Your help with this is appreciated. The sooner we know what the need is, the sooner we can address it. If you have any questions, please call the office.

Operation Holiday

Instead of buying gifts for other classmates, we would like each child to donate something that will be given to a child in need. We are partnering with Inter-Faith Ministries' Operation Holiday to provide new or gently used coats, gloves, hats, scarves, mittens, etc. to area children.





We will be conducting a food drive to support the backpack program in connection with the food bank. These backpacks go home with children to provide food over the weekend. Please place donated items in the box in the foyer. Below is a list of needed items:

- Peanut Butter (12-oz jar) and a sleeve of crackers
- Beans and Franks (pop-top can)
- Beef Jerky (1 oz)
- Cereal (1 oz bowl or box)
- Fruit Cups (peaches, applesauce, etc)
- Raisins (snack-size boxes)
- Pudding Cups
- Juice Boxes (apple, orange or other juice)
- Milk (aseptic pack boxes that do not require refrigeration)
- Cereal Bars or granola bars



Hidden Treasures

While moving and re-organizing our space, we found a box of hidden treasures! We uncovered a box of “Cooking in the Classroom.” These cookbooks are full of taste-tempting recipes compiled by WFS students, parents, faculty and friends in 2001. I use this cookbook regularly at my house and my family loves the recipes. They make a great gift and are available at the school office for \$10.00 a copy. Stop by the front desk and flip through some great cooking ideas.



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Financial Aid Updates

Financial aid applications for the 2010-2011 academic year are now open. To apply, go online to: <http://sss.nais.org>. Click on the prompt to begin your Parents’ Financial Statement (PFS). **Our school code is 8201.** These forms are processed by SSS. All recommendations are kept strictly confidential. Please remember that financial aid awards are made on a “first come, first served” basis and that awards are only issued after a completed Enrollment Form has been received. Do not hesitate to contact Sabrina Duckett at 729-0303 or sduckett@wichitafriendsschool.org if you have any questions.



Our Kids are great cooks! Yum!
All School Feast 11/23/09



Great news for those of us who don’t have the time or inclination to spend hours between now and Christmas running from store to store in pursuit of the perfect gift. Thanks to the Dillon’s gift card kiosks you can use your Dillon’s Certificates to purchase gift cards from a wide range of shops and restaurants. Help yourself and help the school! Remember that certificates are available in the school office or by mail, just contact office@wichitafriendsschool.org with any questions.