

Mrs. Reichert/ Miss Murphy Life Skills

December 2019 Newsletter

Dear Lake Shore Families,

The holiday season is upon us and we have many exciting things planned for this month! We had a wonderful time at the Kazoo Factory/ Boutique last month and we all learned about the interesting history of the factory. We were all able to actually make our own kazoo with the exact same method they have used for decades! You should have received the progress notes and report cards for the first quarter. All of our students are doing very well and getting great experiences in the community and at their internships! We are continuing to learn how to fill out applications and practice interviewing skills for future employment.

December is all about traditions. One of our yearly traditions is our December field trip to Braymiller's Lanes. It will take place on Friday, December 13th. The classes look forward to this trip every year! The cost will be \$6.00 per student and that will cover the cost of shoes and two games. Lunch will be provided. You may send in the fee at any time now before the trip on the 13th. We will send a reminder letter home the week before the trip. Thank you!

We will also be sending home a list of the special days planned for the last week before the winter break, so anyone that would like to participate will have the details.

This month the topic for Unique Learning System is about communication and social skills during the holiday season and is titled, "Holiday Pen Pals."

This unit provides activities about the importance of using conversational skills including asking questions to continue the conversation, and demonstrating appropriate social skills in a variety of situations.

This unit also touches on the importance of enjoying and planning recreation and leisure time. The topic stories present a class who is writing letters to pen pals around the world. Students are exposed to a variety of cultures and holidays outside of the U.S. This unit provides our young adults with the tools needed to understand differences in various cultures, communicate in written and spoken forms, and demonstrate proper social skills.

December Birthday: Lisa Watts - December 23rd Enjoy your special day Lisa! Happy 19th Birthday!!

Important Dates

Fri. Dec 13th- Field trip to Braymillar's Bowling 11a.m.

Mon. Dec 16th- HS Holiday Alumni Concert 7pm

Mon. Dec. 23rd- Jan. 1st Winter Recess No School: Resumes on Thursday January 2nd.

Tues. Dec. 21st- BOE Regular Mtg. 7pm

Please call the classroom at 926-3799 or email me at <u>maureen.reichert@lscsd.org</u> if you have any questions or concerns and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

We wish you and your families a very happy and healthy holiday season!

Sincerely,

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