UP Coming Events:

December 5th
• Winter Concert 5:30-7:00

December 13th
• Parent Empowerment Series - 2 (Morning Session)

December 17th
• Parent Empowerment Series - 2 (Evening Session)

December 6th, 13th, 18th, 19th and 20th
• Early Release

December 21st-Jan 7th
• Winter Break

January 8th 2020
• Students and Teachers Return

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Dear University Park Elementary Parents and Community,

Here we are again and December is upon us and with it comes all the excitement that the season brings. It is a busy time filled with the hustle and bustle of gift shopping for friends and family near and far. It means travelling to visit family or opening our homes to receive guests. Traditions such as visiting Santa, singing carols and decorating our homes in beautiful lights is all part of the holiday celebrations.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff, students and parents for their continued support. Our school is truly a community school and it is at this time of year when the closeness of friendship shines in our students’ faces.

The new-year will bring new learning experiences, new challenges and new fun. I look forward to what lies ahead for us as a school community in 2020. I wish you all Peace, Joy, Hope and Happiness during this Holiday season and throughout the New Year.

Ana Diaz, Principal

Guidance News

Parents are invited to our 2nd Parent Empowerment Series. Our school Guidance Counselor and Social worker will provide strategies and ideas on how you can support your child at home.

For Parents convenience, we will hold 2 sessions each month

December Parent Empowerment Series
Topic: Ways to improve your child’s self-esteem at home
Hosted by Tracy Wells, School Counselor and Julie Grace, School Social Worker

When:
Friday, December 13th 2019 from 8:00 am - 9:00 am
Tuesday, December 17th 2019 from 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

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Literacy Limelight - by Tehani Kisor—Reading Intervention teacher
Source: Reading Connection from Resources for Educators 2017

I hope you will find the information provided very helpful to you and your child(ren). In the spirit of the holidays, we want to share a few inspirational tips on reading. Think: The Twelve Days of Christmas and now read The Twelve Days of Reading….. Think: The Twelve Days of Christmas and now read The Twelve Days of Reading…..

On the First Day: Read Early On:
On the Second Day: Be Patient
On the Third Day: Talk with Your Child
On the Fourth Day: Read to Your Child
On the Fifth Day: Have Them Tell You a Story
On the Sixth Day: Be A Phonics Helper
On the Seventh Day: Make Reading Fun
On the Eighth Day: Listen to Your Child Read
On the Ninth Day: Ask Questions
On the Tenth Day: Promote Writing
On the Eleventh Day: Encourage Variety
On the Twelve Day: Making Reading a Daily Adventure

As we enter the holiday season, you now have 12 days of wonderful ideas to help your child be a fluent reader! Happy Holidays from University Park!

POWER Trait for Month of December
“Respectful”

Respect is the glue that holds your relationships together. Learn ways to be respectful and know what to do when somebody isn’t respectful toward you.

How can you be respectful at school?

When you want to be respectful, try to put yourself in someone else’s shoes and behave in a way that shows you care. At its heart, being respectful means showing that you value other people’s perspectives, time, and space.

TIPs for showing RESPECT

- Let all your peers/friends know that you respect and care about them.
- Don’t interrupt.
- Use manners and always be polite.
- Don’t embarrass someone even if they are wrong.
- Help others as occasions arise.

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