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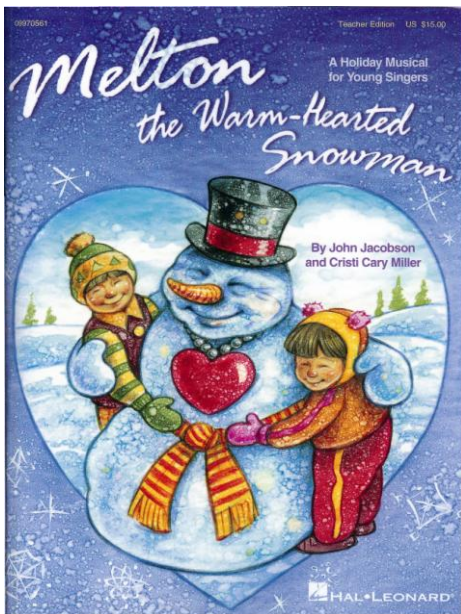
Weekly Newsletter UPDATE - Monday, December 1, 2008

COOKIE DOUGH ORDERS - OUR APOLOGIES...

We apologize for the inconvenience last week due to the cookie dough not arriving. Please make arrangements to pick up your cookie dough orders today after 2pm (Monday, December 1st). If you are unable to pick up your cookie dough, please try to make arrangements for someone else to help you out or let us know. We do not have a lot of cooler space for storage. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser!



WINTER PROGRAM "MELTON THE WARM-HEARTED SNOWMAN" - Thursday, December 11th 7pm



We have been busy practicing for our Winter Program and the students are so excited! *How should my child dress for the program?* The students will wear their "Sunday Best" for the program. *Props:* If students have a spare pair of sunglasses, they can bring them; and a scarf/hat. Please label all items with student's name. *County Cork Parents:* Please see note that was sent home with your child today outlining specific costume/prop ideas for your child's character. **HELP WANTED:** Please let us know if you'd be able to help with the reception or with the gym clean-up after the program. We would like (2) adults to help with set-up, organization, and clean-up of the cafeteria for the reception following the program. Thank you!

The Plot: The musical opens with the "birth" of a new snowman, built by the children, announced by the doctor and celebrated by the Mama and Papa Snow parents. So what can the Friends of Melton do? They realize that they must solve the problem of the warm heart or their new creation will not last long at all. Consequently, they call on everyone's favorite characters to help solve this difficult problem. First they ask Santa's elves for advice. They suggest that "Tough Love" might very well be the answer. When this doesn't do it they ask Ebenezer Scrooge (somebody with experience in cold-heartedness) but to no avail. Perhaps, Rudolph and the other reindeer can help. If

anybody should know anything about dealing with someone who is different it ought to be Rudolph, the Re-Nosed Reindeer! They try singing happy carols as well, but nothing can turn Melton's heart to ice.

Worry turns to disaster as Melton finally gives away his warm heart to Bartholomew, the naughtiest, cold-hearted kid in town. All are sad as Melton freezes up and becomes like so many other ordinary people of ice. Eventually all begin to realize that the love that Melton shared with Bartholomew and everything else was something to be grateful for and celebrated. Love is what the winter holidays are all about. Then Santa Claus shows up with a solution to all the problems. A heart with a *defrostatator* will allow Melton to regulate his feelings and last through the season after all. All are happy and there are no puddles on stage!

FAMILY FUN NIGHT - ROLLERBLADING & DANCING

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4th - 6:30-8:00pm

Please join us for our first Family Fun Night of the school year! Bring your rollerblades or roller skates or your dancing shoes and get ready to MOVE!!! Healthy snacks will be available for purchase. We could use some help after school on Thursday setting up the gym - PA System, marking off dance area, setting up chairs, etc. and staffing the concession stand from 6:30-7:15pm or from 7:15-8:00pm that evening. Please call the office and let us know if you'd be available to volunteer your time. THANK YOU!



CONFERENCES

Thank you to all of you that made it to your scheduled conference time. This is a valuable opportunity for you to hear from your child and their teacher about their progress thus far. If you were not able to make it, please get in touch with your child's teacher to reschedule. Thank you.

EARLY RELEASE - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 3rd - 1:00pm

Please remember that Wednesday, December 3rd is an early release day for staff development. Extended Day will be available, if needed. Please let Ida know if you wish to use this service.



DRESS FOR THE COLD WEATHER - PLEASE!

Baby, it's cold outside! We continue to have a number of children coming to school without appropriate clothing to wear outside. Although we keep a small supply of extra hats and gloves/mittens on hand in case someone forgets or loses something, it is important that your child come to school dressed for the weather. Make sure all clothing items are marked clearly with your child's name in case it is misplaced. We go outside for recess everyday unless the weather is too cold or **WET** and it is very windy out on our playground. Please help your child(ren) dress accordingly. Thank you!

GICS CALENDAR OF EVENTS	
DECEMBER 2008	
Monday, December 1	Cookie Dough Pick-up
Wednesday, December 3	Early Release - 1pm
Thursday, December 4	Family Fun Night - 6:30-8:00pm
Monday, December 8	Good Samaritan Home Visit - 1:15 - 2:45pm
Thursday, December 11	Happy Birthday, Mr. James Alcorn!
Thursday, December 11	Winter Program - 7pm
Friday, December 12	Field Trip - Old Log Theatre
Friday, December 19	PJ/Movie Afternoon
Monday, December 22- Wednesday, December 31	NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
JANUARY 2009	
Thursday, January 1-Friday, January 2	NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
Monday, January 5	School Resumes

* GREEN ISLE COMMUNITY SCHOOL STAFF *	
Administrative Assistant	Jo Liebhard
Director	Kirsten Kinzler
Kindergarten	Terry Kroehler
Grades 1-3 - Meath	Julie Grams
Grades 1-3 - Meath	Kristy Konopacki
Grades 4-6 - County Cork	James Alcorn
Reading/Math/Phy-ed Specialist	Kristen Strauss
Special Education	Kristine Schwartz
Library/School Volunteer	Mary Kay Donnay
Library	Holly Harjes
Extended Day	Ida Dissette
Preschool/Paraprofessional	Kacy (Panning) Honl
Paraprofessional	Karen Ritsema
Paraprofessional	Ashley Danielson
Business Manager	Keith Johnson

**Extended Day
Hours**
Grades K-6
6:00am - 8:15am.
3:00pm - 6:00pm
Come Join Us!

PLEASE SAVE:

Campbell's Labels
 Boxtops for
 Education
 Kemps Milk Lids
 Our Family UPC's
 Ink Cartridges
 Pop Can Tabs
 Drop off at the
 school office!

Mission: Green Isle Community School will foster a positive and respectful multiage environment that promotes educational excellence, service learning, community connections, and responsible citizenship.