

Green Isle Community School

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Weekly Newsletter - Friday, December 4th, 2009

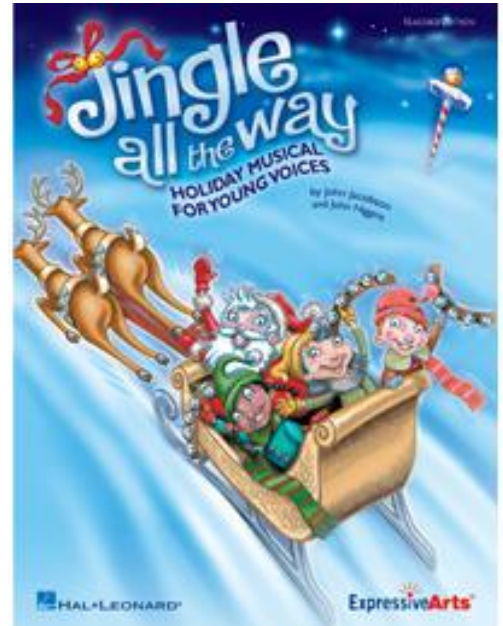
WINTER PROGRAM DATE CHANGE Tuesday, December 15th - 7pm

PLEASE NOTE: Due to conflicts, we needed to reschedule our Winter Program to **Tuesday, December 15th**.
(It was on the calendar for Thursday, December 10th)

Here's a synopsis:

Jingle All the Way **Holiday Musical** - by **Jacobson & Higgins**

It's Christmas time! With some help from a map they found on the internet, Johnnie, Nellie, and Susie head out to the North Pole to meet Santa. "Just listen for the jingle in Santa's heart." But what's this? Santa has lost his jingle! Have we lost the true meaning of Christmas? Join the journey as the North Pole gang gets everyone's help to restore the jingle in Santa's heart and find the spirit and joy of the season.



Students are to be at the school by 6:30pm and we're asking that you dress your child in their "Sunday best" clothes. We are also looking for some costumes (or ideas) for the County Cork actors/actresses, specifically, elves and toy soldiers. If you can help with this, please call the school. For the reception following the program, a flyer request for cookies/bars/juice and help in the kitchen will be coming home next week. Thank you for all of your help during this busy time of year!

SPONSOR VISIT - Thursday, December 17th



Our sponsor liaison, Katie Piehl from Volunteers of America of MN, will be visiting GICS on Thursday, December 17th. This is an official visit to see how we are serving the children at GICS. She would like to meet with some parents. If you are available any time on Thursday and would like to meet with our sponsor liaison, please call the office. Thank you for helping us with this request.

BREAKFAST SURVEYS - Please return your Breakfast Survey (that came home earlier this week) by Monday as we need to gather the data. If you already filled out an *Application for Educational Benefits* form this year, you do not need to fill out another one. **If you think you may qualify for benefits, it is very important that you fill out the form**, regardless of whether or not you take advantage of the free/reduced lunches as it helps our school get additional funding. Thank you for your attention and speedy return of these important papers.

GICS ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

We collected food items for the local Food Shelf in November and our totals are in - **364 lbs of food!** Wow! Thanks for supporting this worthy cause!



HELP WANTED! We are looking for volunteers to assist with our hot lunch program. Duties include serving food and kitchen clean up. Time commitment is from 12-1:30pm. If you can assist on any week day, or know of someone who may be able to help, please contact the office. Thank you for your consideration.

ARLI-DAZZLE PARADE

GICS will be participating in the first annual Arli-Dazzle Parade on Saturday, December 12 at 5:30pm in Arlington. Kristen Strauss and Ashley Reetz are decorating our schoolhouse float and would like GICS students and families to walk in the parade. If you will be along Main Street enjoying the parade, cheer for GICS as they pass by!



DRESS FOR THE COLD WEATHER

Please remember to send your child in warm clothing - coats, hats, gloves. Our goal is to go outside for recess everyday unless the weather is too **cold** or **wet** so please help your child(ren) dress accordingly. Better to dress in layers and have to take some of them off, than be cold! Thanks for your help!

GICS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DECEMBER 2009	
Friday, December 11	Happy Birthday, Mr. James Alcorn!
Tuesday, December 15	Winter Program – 7pm
Tuesday, December 15	Happy Birthday, Ms. Ann Czarnecki!
Thursday, December 17	VOA Sponsor Visit to GICS
Thursday, December 17	GICS Board Meeting – 5:00pm
Monday, December 21	Field Trip – Old Log Theatre
Tuesday, December 22	Classroom Winter Celebrations/Parties – Holiday Movie in the afternoon
Wednesday, December 23- Thursday, December 31	NO SCHOOL – Winter Break
JANUARY 2010	
Friday, January 1	NO SCHOOL – Winter Break
Monday, January 4	School Resumes
Wednesday, January 6	Happy Birthday, Ms. Ashley Reetz!
Wednesday, January 20	Happy Birthday, Ms. Holly Harjes!

* 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
Grades 4-6 - County Cork	Jennifer Faber
Reading/Math/Phy-ed Teacher	Kristen Strauss
Special Education	Kristine Schwartz
Library/School Volunteer	Mary Kay Donnay
Library	Holly Harjes
Extended Day	Ida Dissette
Preschool	Ann Czarnecki
Paraprofessional	Ashley Reetz
Business Manager	Keith Johnson

**Extended Day
Hours**
Grades K-6
6:30am - 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
 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.