

Dear Families,

It feels like winter has definitely arrived. There is a chill in the air, and we've already had our first snowfall. The children will be going outside for recess every day, so please make sure that your child comes to school with a winter coat and boots for outdoor play. Thank you for your support.

I would like to thank everyone for attending parent/teacher conferences last month. The teachers were pleased with your excellent attendance, and excited to share news of your child's progress. The home/school connection is so important to your child's success. Please be sure to keep in touch with



your child's teacher. You can also stay up-to-date with the latest classroom happenings by visiting teacher Blackboard sites. You can link to a Blackboard site from the Windsor website at <http://www.windsor-csd.org>. You can also view teachers' weekly newsletter on the Weeks website at <http://www.weekselementary.org>.

Thank you to Mrs. Pfister and committee for coordinating this year's Book Fair. Many children won books and posters, and lots of money was raised for our Teachers and Parents for Children

(TPC) organization. Be sure to check out this month's Holiday Bazaar and Craft Fair on December 12<sup>th</sup>. Also, on December 19<sup>th</sup>, we are trying an alternative to the Holiday Gift Shop. The TPC will be holding a Student Holiday Craft and Activity Day. Students can come to school any time between the hours of 10:00 and 3:00 to make gifts for their families, and to participate in holiday activities. This should be great fun for our students.



Can you believe that soon we will be ushering in 2010? The new year will be here before we know it, and with it a new round of after-school enrichment for our students. Yes, the Reach for the Stars Enrichment program will return beginning January 12<sup>th</sup>. Please see the attached letter and brochure for course offerings. This program is open to students in Grades 2-5, and course enrollment is limited to 15 students per teacher. Transportation will be provided for those students who need it.

Finally, as I mentioned in my last newsletter, attendance at C. R. Weeks took a sharp drop in the first week of November. However, our attendance is now back up over 95%. Many students were immunized by the Broome County Health Department, and they will be returning to administer a booster shot to students under the age of 10. I do not know the return date, but will let all those who participated know as soon as I receive word from the Health Department.

Have a joyous holiday season! See you in 2010!!

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