



THE SHOOTING STAR



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Principal's Newsletter



Congratulations to the Middle School chorus that performed at Ringling Museum and Downtown Disney this past week. Mrs. Julie said they were awesome! Thanks to all of the parents who went up to support them in Orlando.

Congratulations again to Hana Knowlton. She received a certificate and award for her artwork which is being displayed at the SRQ airport. Hana won second place in the contest.

The girl scout troop for kindergarten to second graders will meet Tuesday, Dec. 10 and Tuesday, Jan. 7. There are openings for any girls who wish to join. Girls meet from 4:15 - 5:15 in rooms 7 and 12. The troop was in the Sarasota Holiday parade this past Saturday evening.

Students will be busy with holiday concerts this week. If you have not returned your child's permission slip, please do as soon as possible. If you can help between 9:15 - 9:45 or 10:00 with students getting changed into costumes, and you are PALS-approved, please call Julie. The teachers could use your help. 5th grade will perform on Tuesday, 4th grade on Wednesday, Kindergarten and 1st grade on Thursday, and 2nd and 3rd grades on Friday. All concerts are between 10:00 AM - 12:45 PM. Students will eat lunch

upon their return.

The toy drive for the Sarasota Memorial Hospital pediatric unit continues through this week. If you wish to contribute a new, unwrapped toy, please bring it to the office.



We will celebrate "Literacy Week" from January 13 - 17. There will be daily activities for the students during class time and a parent evening on Thursday, Jan. 16. Please save children and teen books you no longer want. We would like to have a book exchange for the students. So, if you are getting new books over the holidays, we'd love to have your old ones. We will have a speaker for the parents on the 16th. Please put that night on your calendar.

We have two more weeks until the winter holiday. Some classes have projects due by Dec. 20 and we have EOC tests in algebra and civics. Please check websites and agenda books. Homework still needs to be done. Even some of the teachers are busy finishing their homework assignments for classes they are taking in the evening.

Have a great week!

Cecilia Blankenship

Upcoming Dates:

- December 9th – Basketball Game against Palmetto Charter
- December 13th - Middle School "Pastries for Parents"
- December 16th - Frosty Follies
- December 22nd - January 5th - Winter Break
- January 6th - School's back in session.
- January 9th - PTO Meeting at 6:00pm
- January 13th - 17th - Literacy Week
- January 16th - Literacy Night
- January 20th - MLK - No School
- January 21st - Professional Day - No School
- January 23rd - Play Auditions