

SAGEVILLE



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Sageville Elementary Newsletter

December 6, 2018

From the desk of Miss Mac:

We're looking forward to the 4th and 5th graders musical performance this evening. The doors will open at 6:15 PM and the performance starts at 6:30 PM.

At this time of year I get the question of our outdoor policy for morning supervision or recess so I thought I would share that with you. We keep the students inside if the temperature is below zero (including windchill). That might help you decide if you are sending the boots and snow pants to school. Please make sure your child is dressed for the weather. Thank you!

Winter assessments to determine learning growth will occur in January. All K-5 students will take the reading FAST (Formative Assessment System for Teachers) on January 11th. Grades 2-5 will take the winter MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) in reading and math the last week of January. These results will be shared with you at February Parent/Teacher/Student conferences. Setting up a certain time and encouraging your child to read everyday is important. If your child reads 20 minutes every day, that is giving them an additional 500 minutes a month. Research will show those students are better readers.



Sageville Orchestra

Calendar of Events

Wear your favorite holiday outfit tomorrow at 2:45 PM for our Celebration Assembly! Parents welcome

Monday-December 10

6:00 PM Gr. 5 Band Concert at Hempstead

Wednesday-December 12

8:05 Choir

Thursday-December 13

6:00-8:00 PM Skate Country Skate Party

Friday-December 14

Scrip orders due
9:45 Late Start

Friday Focus

Gertie Monat from Keystone AEA will be giving us more guidance on how to use ST-Math effectively.

Top Winners for Discount Cards

1st Place - 29 cards Paityn Clemen - Principal
for half day.

2nd Place 26 cards Bristol Soppe - Movie in
Gym for Classroom

3rd Place 25 cards Madilyn Madigan - Extra Recess

Staff Winner
Angie Rokusek

Sageville's
Choir can be
hear on 92.9
KAT FM on
the following
dates & times:

12/6 7:45 PM

12/8 2:35 PM



Counselor Corner...Mrs. Boeve

Greetings! Now that December is here, we are getting into the holiday spirit! With all the excitement of the holidays can also bring anxiety for some whether it be due to family dynamics, financial issues, grief, changes in schedule, etc. Child development experts tell us that what children need (and want) the most is your presence, not your presents. Iowa Child Care Resource and Referral talks about the best "gifts" you can give to make this holiday season memorable and relaxed:

1. **Gift of (Relaxed) Attention**- doing things together to slow down and enjoy one another's presence.
2. **Gift of Realistic Expectations**- Parents help your children understand how much is "enough" when it comes to presents; you set the tone.
3. **Gift of Balance**- doing what's best for your family's comfort level and leaving space for "down time" in the schedule.
4. **Gift of Tradition**- When adults look back at their most memorable Christmases as children, it's not the gifts that they remember- instead, it's what they did as a family.
5. ****Gift of a Safe & Loving Environment**- this fosters optimal child development and creates trust where children can thrive.

(Adapted from excerpts from [Unplug the Christmas Machine](#), Jo Robinson and Jean Coppock Staeheli)



Keep clipping Box Tops for our
school! Thank you!

Winter Break

Winter break will be
December 24th through
January 2nd. Classes
will resume on Thursday,
January 3rd.