



**From the desk of Connie Gervasoni:**

**Week of December 11<sup>th</sup> – December 15<sup>th</sup>:**

- I hope you were able to rejuvenate after last week. I hope everyone is out of harm's way.
- Last week, we practiced a modified 'Shelter-in-Place' both Tues and Wed; sufficed our December Drill.
- Only ONE week until Winter Break... Thank you for making every day a learning day for our students! Please continue to focus on student engagement, academic language and small group instruction. Small group learning allows for all students to be actively engaged while giving students needed scaffolds to succeed.
  - This week will be a challenging one-NO Psychomotor and DIBELS testing...
- Without consistent ATTENDANCE, students cannot have a learning day at Chase! We need your help to encourage Daily Attendance. **Each day/each student misses is \$61.00 Chase loses \$\$ for the following year!** Making sure your students have a Safe Academic Environment is a key factor every teacher can control! Also, when a student is absent, a phone call home says so much! We cannot change the family dynamics for some of our students but every teacher makes a difference in the lives of their students. Thank you!
- Please continue with **constant** reminders of our school rules. Also, if you notice a problem with a student, **contact the parent**. We want to make sure the parent has a chance to work with you. Also, please be sure you review classroom and school rules and also for students to think about their actions and if they see someone being bullied, please report it. To promote positive behavior, we will continue with our Cougar Bucks' raffles-2 per grade-level during announcements—this week we will choose names on Tuesday. Students must be present to win! Also, we will continue the class Yellow Cougar Bucks. Classes must earn 10 for the first time to attend the Principal Recess. **Principal Recess will Thursday, 12/14, 2:15pm.** Please send in your 10/15 Yellow Bucks to the office.
  - As the year progresses, please contact parents when a student issue arises in your classroom. Please give parents the opportunity to work with you.
  - Community Circles are a preventive method—gives to students to feel like a 'community' and might be less apt to hurt one another; also, gives students a voice. Last week's inclement schedules and the fires being so close, bring some calm to your classroom by sharing with your students as a community of learners. You make such a difference in the lives of your students. Thank you.

**No Psychomotor all week. DIBELS Testing all week.**

- Monday, Santa Make-up Pictures. Concert Dress Rehearsal. ILT, 2:45, room 3.
- Tuesday, Winter Concert, including PALS, ETK and TK, 8:30am and 1:00pm. 2-hour: 1:45pm – 3:10pm, CUM Opener and Faculty Meeting, Room 3, 3:15 – 3:50pm. L. Avila, out, am.
- Wednesday, Winter Concert, K – 5, 8:30am, 10:30am and 1:00pm. C. Gervasoni, out all day.
- Thursday, 4/5 Soccer Incentive Tournament, 8:30am; Parent Academy Graduation, 8:30am. Principal Recess, 2:15pm. Kinder Presentation for Head Start Parents, 4:30-6:30, Panorama Rec Center.
- Friday, minimum day, 12:39 dismissal. 12:45pm, ALL faculty and staff Luncheon sponsored by Cafeteria Management. Please attend. If you do not like the menu (posted by cubbies), then bring your lunch and socialize. All will be dismissed at 2:30pm.
- Enjoy your well-deserved break! Happy Holidays and Happy 2018!

**\*\*\*Together, we are stronger.\*\*\***

***Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success.***

**Henry Ford**