



Pioneer School Press

Weekly News: January 9, 2015

- Welcome back! We hope that everyone had an enjoyable and restful winter break.
- If you have a question and no one is in the office, feel free to leave us an e-mail and we will respond usually within a few business hours.
 - When questions arise related to things going on in the classroom, behavioral, or academic concerns, please always contact your child's teacher first as they are the person who is with your child every day and has the best knowledge of your child's daily school experience and progress. If you have questions related to learning expeditions, skiing, fundraisers, etc. please stop by the office or send us an e-mail. Sign-up sheets for learning expeditions, the school calendar and current newsletter can always be found on the wall in the office. Tuition, hot lunch forms, and box tops can be turned in on the book shelf next to the trash can.
 - **Need a form?** Check out the files section of our Facebook group (top right hand corner of page).
- If your child needs a ski helmet let Betty or Tabatha know. We have several available.
- Included with this newsletter is a **cross country skiing** waiver. Everyone renting cross country equipment MUST turn in a completed waiver and \$ in order to ski. Kids rentals are \$15, adults are \$20. Betty can take 6 students in her suburban, grades 2 and older (first come, first serve). There is a sign-up sheet in the office. All other students should plan to come with their parents or arrange to ride with another family. You can caravan from Pioneer School (leave at 9:00AM) or meet us at Mt. Spokane at 10:00AM.
- Included with this newsletter are two **downhill skiing** forms. Each family needs to turn in both completed forms by Tuesday of each skiing week along with payment. Please make sure to include your family name on the order form. The release form needs to be filled out even if you aren't renting equipment as it also serves as the release for lessons. Remember- all students must take a lesson in order to receive discounted rates. There are no carpools from Pioneer- we will meet on the mountain.

In the Spotlight

- "Going West" dress rehearsal is be **Thursday, January 15th from 8:30-9:30AM** at Progress Elementary. **Please drop your student(s) off at Progress Elementary** (we will be in gym through double doors). 710 N.

Progress Rd. (corner of Broadway and Progress). If you are able to stay and help drive students back to Pioneer that'd be great.

- **Calling all parents in the health/medical field-** as we start our Human Body topic later this month we are looking for parents who'd like to share their expertise. Let us know if you'd like to enlighten our curious learners. Have an idea for a cool human body field trip (maybe at your hospital/clinic)? Let us know that too.
- **On Friday, January 9th and 16th** we will have school at Pioneer in the morning then ice skate at Frontier Ice Arena in Post Falls from 1-3. Please make sure your child has a helmet, snow pants, gloves, and warm clothes. Drivers should be here at 12:30. **Please sign up to drive in the office- we only have a few drivers so far.**
- **Congratulations** to all of our December Caring and Kindness award winners- Sabrina Downey (Pups), Erik Collins (Pathfinders), Olivia Hilton (Explorers), Ayden Peterson and Liam Reeves (Scholars), and Kate Palelek (Pioneers).
- Pioneer teachers will be attending Edufest on February 5th-7th. Parents are invited to attend a **free parent night** during the conference on "Nurturing Your Child's Creativity". See attached flyer for more details.

Upcoming Events

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1/9- Ice Skating, 1-3• 1/13- Math is Cool, 3-4PM• 1/14- McD's lunch; Chess Club, 3:15-4:15PM | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 1/15- "Going West" Dress Rehearsal at Progress Elementary 8:30AM, Performance @ 6PM |
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Community Events

- 2/5: Winter Edufest Parent Night- FREE- 6-8PM @ Coeur D'Alene Resort Conference Center- "Nurturing Your Child's Creativity"- see flyer for more info and registration.
- 1/17: *Sixteen Strings*- Four Symphony Musicians Showcase the Violin Family of Instruments, 1:00PM @ Bing Crosby Theatre