

Soldotna Montessori News

November 30, 2023



Upcoming Events

12/4-6	Holiday Shop (1:00-3:00)
12/5	APC Meeting (5:30)
12/7	Winter Concert Practice @ SOHI (9:00-11:00)
12/7	SMCS Winter Concert @ SOHI (6:30)
12/8	50 Cent Friday
12/8	Early Release Day (2:00)
12/8	Craft Night (2:15-4:30)
12/15	Caroling, PJ's, & Pancakes Day
12/18-1/2	Winter Break (No School)
1/3	3rd Quarter Begins
1/5	50 Cent Friday
1/9	PTO Meeting (4:00)
1/10	Band & Choir Concert (6:00)
1/12	Early Release Day (2:00)
1/26	Early Release Day (2:00)
2/6	PTO Meeting (4:00)
2/15-16	P/T Conferences
2/22	APC Meeting (5:30)

PTO Craft Night

December 8, from 2:00-4:30. Please look for the flyer in today's folder.



Winter Concert

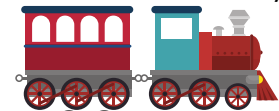
DECEMBER 7 @ 6:30



The SMCS winter concert is a whole school event which includes grades K-6! We will be performing at SOHI on December 7th. It is wonderful time, coming together as a whole school for this performance. Students need to be there by 6:10. Mr. Dahl has sent home a flyer with additional information about student performance attire and other items to know. Additionally, a permission slip to ride a bus to the concert practice session @ SOHI from 9:00-11:00 on the 7th, has been sent home today.

Cookie Train

DECEMBER 7 @ 6:00



This fundraiser is held each year in conjunction with our Winter Concert. It is our big push to raise money specifically for field trips. It is also a tasty fundraiser! It provides those in attendance the opportunity to fill a special box of various cookies to take home and eat for the holidays, give as gifts to friends and family, or in celebration of a performance well done. A sign-up sheet for providing cookies for this fundraiser is available online and will be sent via email & text. We encourage your participation and help in providing cookies for our cookie train

Craft Night

DECEMBER 8 @ 2:00-4:30



Each year, we have a craft night after school for our students to create various, high-quality crafts to give as gifts during the holidays. This year we are hosting the event during Early Release from 2:00-4:30. Craft Night has been a hit with our students, and families have appreciated the quality of the crafts made by the students. It is our hope that your student will be able to participate in this fun, productive activity. In order to participate, students need permission slips returned to the school by December 1st along with the cost of materials. See the flyer in today's Thursday folder for details.

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Holiday Shop DECEMBER 4-6

This year our school holiday shop will be held on December 4th-6th in the Library. Students are able to purchase small gifts for family members or friends. Your student's class will sign up for a specific time and day for shopping. Envelopes for this event have been sent home, in today's Thursday folder, for carrying money and listing individuals for whom students should shop.



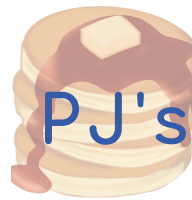
All-School Caroling DECEMBER 15

Students will be out of the building singing carols at local businesses and organizations on December 15th. Our planned departure time varies with temperatures on that day, but we are planning to depart around 10:30 and return near 11:30. If you have appointments scheduled for this day and time, please make arrangements with Mrs. Cavazos ahead of time, so we know how to accommodate for their pick-up.



Mr. D's NOTES

The holidays are upon us, and if you are like me, that time of year can seem especially busy and stressful. I encourage you to be mindful of your time and stress level this year. Plan for quiet times, and schedule times with rest in mind. We, as adults, are always teaching our students, since they watch what we do. Are they seeing good time-management? Are they seeing quality responses to stress? Are they learning how to make time for peacefulness? I encourage you to make that a priority for your family this season. Maybe it will become a welcomed tradition!



PJ's & Pancakes DECEMBER 15

December 15 is the last day of school for students before winter break. We will start the day with pancakes; all students are invited to participate. PJs are optional!



Principal Evaluation



The APC is looking for parent and community feedback to assist them with the principal evaluation. The month of November has been set aside to collect this feedback from parents, students, family members and the community at large. An online survey has been created, and a link to the survey is available on our school website, Facebook page, and has been sent via email through PowerSchool Messenger. Please help the APC with this evaluation process by providing your feedback. The online survey will be available from November 1st to December 1st.

School Notifications

In our recent school survey, some families responded that our notifications being sent via, phone, text, & email, might be a bit much, which makes sense. However, each family has a preferred notification method, so we send out information in each way to keep everyone informed. Thankfully, there is a solution for families who do not want contacted in every mode. Families are able to change the settings in Student Contacts in PowerSchool, selecting their preferred mode(s) for receiving notifications from the school. By altering these settings, you will receive notifications in the manner you desire.