

Dear Parents,

We will be celebrating Christmas this year with a Homeroom party on **Thursday, December 14th**. Our theme for the day is Polar Express.

The children may come to school in “**school appropriate**” **pajamas or comfy clothes**. They **must wear shoes** but may bring slippers to wear in the classroom. They can also **bring a blanket and pillow** to use when we watch “Polar Express” and when they read their new books from the book exchange.

Now, for the most important part of our celebration! We want to have breakfast for our party as soon as the kids get to school around 8:45. Trying to keep to a healthy food party, we could have cereal, yogurt, fruit, milk, and juice for breakfast in the morning. **If you are able to help with any of these foods or can come up with one of your own please let me know what you can send in.** We will also need utensils, plates, bowls (if we have cereal), drink cups, napkins.... I will be setting up a sign up genius so you can put in what you can send in. (this is my first attempt at sign up genius so let me know if it gives you trouble)

We are also planning on celebrating Christmas with a **book exchange**.

1. Each child should bring in one wrapped book by **Tuesday, December 12th**.
2. The book should be **new, paperback, and around \$4.00**. I am going to put the books into two piles one suitable for boys and the other suitable for girls so all the girls can pick out a book they'd like to read and the boys one they'd like to read. The books will be numbered and the children will get the gift that correlates with the number they draw.
3. Please make sure the presents are **wrapped** (no bags) after all half the fun is unwrapping the package.
4. **Attach a gift tag** to let us know who the present is from...you can leave the to section blank or write “to my friend”
5. If you are unable to purchase a book, please let me know.

I hope you all have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. I am so blessed to be your child's teacher. Thank you for all of your support!

Sincerely,

Valerie Sheehan



