

Dear Parents,

We will be celebrating Christmas this year with a Homeroom party on **Thursday, December 15th**. 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 class. We will be completing some fun Christmas-themed activities throughout the day.

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 our room parents know what you can send in.** We will also need utensils, plates, bowls (if we have cereal), drink cups, and napkins....Our room parents will be setting up a sign-up genius so you can put in what you can send in.

BOOK EXCHANGE INFORMATION:

1. Each child should bring in one **wrapped book** by **Tuesday, December 13th**. (part of the gift is in the opening of the package)
2. The book should be **new, paperback, and around \$5.00**. I am going to put the books into two piles one suitable for boys and the other ideal 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 a gift that correlates with the number they draw. (attached is a list of popular book series)
3. **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**"
4. If you are unable to purchase a book, please let us know.

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

Sincerely,

Valerie Sheehan and Susan Smith