HAWTHORNE ELEMENTARY

December, 2017

HAWK TALK

MISSOULA COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

IMPORTANT DATES

12/6: PTA meeting 6:30

- 12/13: 1st & 2nd field trip to Griz game 10:30-2:30
- 12/15: Grinch Day

12/18-12/21: Scholastic Book Fair

12/19-12/21: Holiday concerts

12/22-1/1: Winter Break– No School

1/2:School resumes

FOOD DRIVE 2017 Wow!! We are so amazed by the generosity and enthusiasm from Hawthorne students and their families. We were able to gather 2294 cans of food and other nonperishables for the Missoula Food Bank! WAY TO GO HAWKS!!

BECKY SORENSON, PRINCIPAL



12/20 -4th and 5th grades will perform at 1 pm with a showcase from our Band and Orchestra students directly after the general performance.

12/21- Kindergarten and 3rd grade students will perform at 1pm.

We hope you can join us for our holiday concerts! A big thank you to our music instructor Brenda Griggs for all of her hard work and dedication to our students in Music class and also the Band.

A big thanks to our Orchestra teacher Mrs. Haarvig !

A MESSAGE FROM MCPS...

We are fast approaching the winter season and the heart of Missoula winter weather. I want to make sure you know where to find information regarding any weather related delays or cancellations to our normal school schedule. When school is delayed or cancelled due to weather, it is our District's goal to notify families, students and the public by 6:30 a.m. This decision is based on input from local law enforcement, our transportation partner Beach Transportation, and our own staff research of current road conditions.

We post notifications about delays or cancellations on our district website homepage at <u>www.mcpsmt.org</u>. This information will also be posted on each school's website homepage. We also post the information on our district Mobile App, as well as the MCPS Facebook, Twitter and Instagram accounts.

For those families that opt to receive emails, phone calls and text messages from the school, you will also receive a notice directly via phone, email and text.

Finally, you will see the information reported by local media on the radio and television as well as their own websites. When looking at reports on local media, be sure that you look for notices related to Missoula County Public Schools or School District #1. Sometimes other schools in the area are affected and our 17 schools remain on normal schedules. If in doubt, check one of our MCPS websites or social media accounts.



Grinch Day



It's the most wonderful time of the year!

Grinch Day is scheduled for December 15th this year! A new Hawthorne tradition that started in 2016 with the first and third grade classes. Students and staff dress up as a character from the Grinch (or any Dr. Seuss

character they choose.) Part of the school day will be spent as a community playing games, reading books, and spreading kindness throughout our school. This year we are extending the invitation to all students and staff... If you ordered a Grinch Day shirt, it will be delivered in time for you to wear on the 15th.

if you were not able to, please feel free to wear something "Grinchy" or Dr. Seuss inspired. You will have the





The MORE that you READ, The MORE things you will KNOW. The MORE that you LEARN, The more PLACES you'll GO. -Dr. Seuss



You can finish your holiday shopping at Hawthorne! The amazing Scholastic Book Fair is starting on 12/18 and will run through 12/21! We will also have a limited number of Hawthorne T shirts for sale if you missed out on the last order opportunity. Sizes, colors, and quantities are limited– so don't delay! Give the gift of great books and school spirit!!







This month, we want to welcome Laura Adams to the Hawthorne staff. Mrs. Adams is joining us as a long-term substitute for our School Counselor, Robyn Edington, who is going on maternity leave this December. Mrs. Adams has already spent time getting to know Hawthorne students last spring and this fall during her Internship program through the University of Montana. Mrs. Adams will continue to work with students in the classrooms, small groups and one on one. If you have any needs or concerns regarding your child's social and emotional needs at Hawthorne, please get in touch with Mrs. Adams at <u>ladams@mcps.k12.mt.us</u> or 728-2400, extension 4294. Mrs. Edington will return next August.

MEET THE STAFF

We would like to welcome and introduce Kristina Fields to the Hawthorne team! Mrs. Fields has been co-teaching in 4th grade with Mrs. Riordan since the beginning of the school year. Mrs. Fields studied at University of Colorado in Boulder, and finished her degree here in Missoula at the U of M—she played soccer for both college teams as well.

She is a very busy mother of 2 boys who enjoys to run, ski, and mountain bike in her free time. She is loving her 4th grade class and said her favorite thing about Hawthorne so far is the people. We are very thankful to have Mrs. Fields with us this year and look forward to a great 2018 with her. Welcome to the Hawthorne family Mrs. Fields!

A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR AMAZING COMMUNITY PARTNERS

The Missoula Post office and Missoula Family YMCA have again, graciously sponsored holiday help for Hawthorne families in need of a little extra support.

DSV (Formerly Sammons Trucking) is preparing Christmas breakfast bags for families (There are still a

couple up for grabs if you're interested!)

Cabela's and Missoula law enforcement are hosting "Shop With a Cop" again this year, 2 Hawthorne

students will be in attendance this year! Thank you Missoula!!!!!

The final day of the Fall/ Winter flagship will be December 12th. Congratulations to Mr. Sam for completing his first session as our new Flagship Coordinator!

Keep an eye out for the Winter/Spring brochures to sign up for the next session! If you have any questions or concerns you can reach Sam at 728-2400 ext. 4271

If you want to volunteer to mentor stop by the FRC/ Flagship office to get more information!!

because after school shouldn't be an afterthought



Could your family use a little extra support? Stop by the FRC and talk to Lilah! We are able to help with warm winter gear, and clothing for students. We can assist you and your family with information regarding housing, employment, DPPHS programs, and EmPower packs for extra weekend meals and snacks! You can always call 728-2400 ext. 4271 or email frchawthorne@mcps.k12.mt.us or stop by the FRC!