



Mills Moments

John Mills School

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A Message from our Principal

It is hard to believe that the end of the year is here and the holiday season is at our doorstep! It is my wish that each and every John Mills' students and their families have a wonderful break and that you enjoy your holiday celebrations. I will be thinking about all of you during our break and I hope that it finds you all relaxed, safe and warm! I look forward to 2017 and our continued work in providing a safe and welcoming learning environment for all of our students.

Happy Holidays and here is to a wonderful 2017!



School Closing Information

Wintry weather is now upon on us and we would like to take this time to review our "school closing procedures" with you. Dr. Anderson, our Superintendent, will decide by 6:00 a.m. whether or not to close school when there is severe weather and **will initiate the District's automated call system**. The decision will be made with the safety of our students, parents and staff in mind.

If we do not close, you should make every effort to get your child to school; unless, of course, there are extreme circumstances, such as you're experiencing car problems or your child has a medical condition which will not allow him/her to walk to school. We ask that you dial the District's designated number – 708-452-7272, press 8 or go online at www.epcusd401.org if you're unsure school is in session.

A Message from the Nurse

This is a reminder for all parents and guardians of second and sixth grade students that it is mandatory for your child to have a dental exam. Also vision and hearing screening is complete for all grade levels at John Mills. If you received a referral letter, please have your child see the eye or ear doctor as soon as possible and send back the completed form to school. Please use our winter break to schedule your child's appointment if you haven't already done so.

Greetings from Mrs. Ponce

As 2016 comes quickly to a close and my first months as an assistant principal in Elmwood Park are behind us, I'd like to take a moment to thank you all for welcoming me into the John Mills family. I'm so grateful to have the opportunity to serve this community. I hope you all have a wonderful and relaxing Holiday Break and a happy healthy New Year.

Six Flags Reading Incentive Program

What gift can you open again and again? A book, of course! Be sure to spend lots of time curled up with a good book over winter break. Don't forget to log your reading minutes on the READ TO SUCCEED reading log. Six hours of reading earns you a free ticket to Great America! Have a wonderful holiday season filled with family, fun, and lots of reading!

Yearbook Sale

The deadline to order your yearbook is Wednesday, March 1. The cost is \$15.00 and may be purchased with cash, check (payable to EPCUSD 401) or by credit (call the main office at 452-3560). Remember, there will be no additional copies available for sale after that date.

AUP Contract

All students in grades three through six were given a "Student and Parent/Guardian Digital Citizenship AUP Contract". Please review it with your student. The last page must be signed, completed and returned on Monday, January 9, 2017.

Interested in being an Elmwood Park crossing guard?

Elmwood Park Police Department is looking for people interested in being crossing guards within our community. If you are interested, please contact Chief Fagiano or Deputy Chief Hock at the EPPD. 708-453-2137.

School closed December 23 to January 8

School resumes

January 9, 2017

