

# **BES Panther Print**

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## Principal's Pen

Thank you to our grandparents who attended Grandparents Day! We are especially thankful to those of you who took pictures to help us raise funds for our students.

With the season of giving upon us, we are reminded that a good education is one of the best gifts we can give our children. It is imperative that parents work with their children daily to reinforce what they learn at school as well as enhance their learning outside the classroom. A strong home-school connection goes a long way.

# **Reading Corner**

December, what a great month to practice reading/literacy skills! Below are easy, fun ways to increase your child's reading and writing during December.

- \*Help your child write a Christmas list.
- \*Write a letter to Santa with your child, and read it together after it is complete.
- \*Send Christmas cards to family but not before reading the card with your child.
- \*As you bake Christmas cookies or dishes for celebrations, read the recipe with your child.

The possibilities for immersing your child in reading and writing throughout December are endless!

#### **Important Dates:**

December 12<sup>th</sup> Christmas Concert, 6:00 in the gym

December 15<sup>th</sup> DARE Graduation for 5<sup>th</sup> graders,10:00 in the gym

December 21<sup>st</sup> Free jeans and spirit shirt or Christmas shirt for all students

Dismissal, 1:00 (No After School Care)

Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup> – Jan. 5<sup>th</sup> Christmas break

January 8<sup>th</sup> Students return to school.

## Students of the Month: December

| PreK              | Kindergarten      | 1st             | 2nd             | 3rd               | 4th               | 5th          |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Valeria           | Noelle            | Charlotte       | Parker          | Tinley            | Madison           | Kenzily      |
| Regalado<br>Rojas | Montgomery        | Gottung         | Pisani          | Nguyen            | Melancon          | Singleton    |
| Khorie<br>Dooley  | Harper<br>Falgout | Layne<br>Nguyen | Haddie<br>Oubre | Elly<br>Stanberry | Sydney<br>Moffett | Ellie Polkey |