



Principal's Newsletter

DECEMBER, 2006

MAJORING IN EXCELLENCE

DECISIONS ABOUT GIFTS

As Christmas nears, the decisions about Christmas presents for the kids are made, and a book is an excellent choice.

Ogden Nash explains the value and purpose of books in his poem, "TAKE OFF WITH BOOKS".

Take off with books,
Not with the rocket's roar,
Take off in silence
And in fancy soar
At rocket speed
To every land and time,
And see, spread out beneath,
Past, present, future as you higher climb.

Explore those worlds the rocket cannot reach,
Troy, Camelot, and Crusoe's lonely beach.
No path forbid, no darkling secret hid.
Books reached the moon before real rockets did.

If you decide to give a book as a gift, please be sure to sit down and enjoy it with your child; either by discussing it with him or her or by reading it to him or her. Sometimes

it's fun to read alternating pages. The bottom line is to ENJOY!

Anonymous



FYI: SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVERS

In the event a bus route is delayed 20 minutes or more and the students have to remain at school, the following plan will be put into place:

- *The school will attempt to contact parents by phone.
- *The Transportation Department will contact the School Board and request the public be notified via radio and web site.
- *The Transportation Department will contact Lake of the Woods (LOW) if the route discharges students in LOW and request alert be placed on the LOW channel.

Please call the school if you have any questions concerning bus issues. After 4:30 pm enter ext. 2010 or 2011.

HOW TO TELL A "WINNER" OR "LOSER"

A winner says, "LET'S FIND OUT!"

A loser says, "Nobody knows."

When a winner makes a mistake, he says "I WAS WRONG."

When a loser makes a mistake, he says "It wasn't MY FAULT!"

A winner goes THROUGH A PROBLEM

A loser goes around it, but never gets past it.

A winner makes COMMITMENTS.

A loser makes promises.

A winner tries to LEARN from those who are superior to him.

A loser tries to tear down those who are superior to him.

A winner says, "THERE MUST BE A BETTER WAY TO DO IT."

A loser says, "That's the way it's always been done around here."

EAGLE EVENTS

December 6, Wednesday
Coffee and Conversation with Ms. Crotts

December 7, Thursday
Picture Re-takes, morning

December 8, Friday
Holiday Colors Day! - Wear your holiday colors

December 12, Tuesday
*PTA Meeting,
5th Grade Chorus Concert*

December 20, Wednesday
**1/2 Day for Students
Winter Holiday until
January 3 for Students**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 1, Monday
Holiday

January 2, Tuesday
Student Holiday, Teacher Workday

Worth Quoting:

When you come to a roadblock, take a detour."

Mary Kay Ash

Homework Help:

Do your children expect your help with their homework? Let them know you're around if they need you—but their work is their job. The benefit? They'll learn how to find the answers themselves, as well as boost their skills.