

# Foxboro Falcons Newsletter

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Merry Christmas Parents and Students,

Our whole school was shocked and saddened by the sudden passing away of one our sweet 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students, Laurel Isom. She will always be remembered for her sweet smile and the caring she showed to all the other students.

At this time of year it is fun to watch the students. Their eyes are full of anticipation at Christmas and what Santa Claus will bring.

To me, Christmas has always meant GIVING gifts more than GETTING gifts. Even as a child I wanted gifts, of course. But it was fun for me to give a gift to everyone in my family. I came from a family of 7 siblings, and it was important for me to give each of my brothers and sisters a gift. I would start saving my nickels and dimes that I earned from doing odd jobs at home. Then I would walk to the Sprouse-Rietz store on Main Street in Bountiful. I would select a gift for each family member. I didn't have much money, but I found something for everyone. I remember giving my brothers each a comb and my dad a pen one Christmas. They were simple gifts, but came from the heart.

My wife and I have taught our sons to give to each other.

Although a family may be poor and need a lot themselves, they can still give to a neighbor. A family may bake cookies and give them to a neighbor or bring in the garbage cans of a neighbor. Service can be done by cleaning up the neighborhood or smiling at everyone and wishing them "Merry Christmas."

As you shop, take time to greet and with the clerks a "Merry Christmas!" You will find it makes their day. Most don't hear it from the customers.

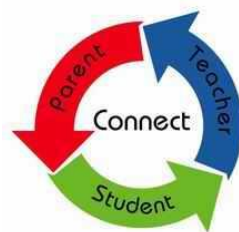
***Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my wonderful students and families!***

Sincerely,  
Kevin Prusse



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*Thank you* for coming to your child's SEP Conference the first week in November. We had 98% participation from parents and students. It is the 2% of parents that did not come that worries me. I encourage those that did not meet with their child's teacher to make an appointment and talk with the teacher. You are missing a wonderful chance to hear how your son or daughter is doing in class.



*Thank you* for supporting the PTA with the Book Fair during SEP Conferences and also the Santa's Secret Workshop this month.



## CHRISTMAS VACATION/WINTER RECESS

Winter Recess/Christmas Vacation will begin Thursday, December 21 through January 2. Wednesday, December 20 will be an Early Out Day. School will reconvene on Tuesday, January 2.

## GOOD ATTENDANCE IS A PRIORITY



One of our school goals is to increase attendance among our students. At the end of each month students with Perfect Attendance for the month get a special Perfect Attendance dog tag to put on their chain necklace. Students with no tardies get a bead to add to their necklace.

With the snowy weather upon us, remember to leave 10-15 minutes early in the morning to account for bad weather, slow traffic and icy conditions to get to school on time.

## THANK YOU EAGLE SCOUTS

We recently had some more Eagle Scouts do their Eagle Projects at our school. Congratulations to these Eagle Scouts for helping our school.

Landon Mullen - painting a multiplication chart grid

Isaac Galvaz - painting a 100 counting grid

Alex Hess - painting a multiplication chart grid

Colby Barrett - making an alphabet grid to spell word

Jared Foote- making a scooter rack



## FOOD DRIVE

*Thank you* to all of you for supporting the Foxboro Student Council's Food Drive during November that was in conjunction with all the feeder schools of Bountiful High School. Our school collected 664 pounds of food.

## FREE POPCORN

At the end of each term, to encourage the students to read and record their reading minutes in the Road To Success Reading Program, I pass out Free Popcorn Passes to the students that have recorded the MINIMUM amount of reading which is 100 minutes a week (20 minutes of reading a day - 5 days a week.)



Congratulations to the 369 students that met that goal by Week 9 (900 minutes) in November. That is 44% of the students.

I will give out Popcorn Passes again after week 18 which is the end of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Term in January. Students will need to have recorded at least 1800 minutes.

If you do not know how to log your child and record their minutes on-line in the Road to Success program, please let your teacher know. If you have forgotten your child's password, let me know and I will reset it. (Unfortunately the teachers can not do this.)



## PTA BOARD

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Dear Foxboro Families,

I hope that everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving!

We appreciate all of the support that you gave for our book fair last month and for Santa Shop this week. We have had amazing turn outs!

We also had great give back nights at Cafe Zupas and Pizza Pie Cafe. All of your support allows us to continue to provide great programming for the students, teachers, and the school as a whole... such as Meet the Master and our beautiful new electronic marquee!

**Thank you** to the **volunteers** who worked our book fair and Santa shop, taught Meet the Masters, and organized teacher appreciation dinners. Without them, we wouldn't be able to support the school.

We would also like to thank Rio Grande and The Olive Garden for donating beautiful meals for our teachers during SEP week.

**Foxboro is simply the best!** We hope that you enjoy a wonderful winter break.

Amy Vanderlinden

President, Foxboro PTA

**11/27/2017 - 12/1/2017 PTA Santa's Workshop**

**12/1/2017 Picture Make-Up Day**

**12/5/2017 Field Trip - Gr. 5** Going to the IMAX theater

**12/15/2017 9:30 AM Choir Concert**

**12/20/2017 9:00 AM Assembly - Orchestra performance**

**12/21/2017 - 1/1/2018 Christmas/Winter Recess**

**12/21/2017 - 1/1/2018 No School**

**12/24/2017 Christmas Eve**

**12/25/2017 Christmas Day**

**12/31/2017 New Year's Eve**

