

## OPENING THE DOOR TO LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES



### Holiday Food Drive

Unity Elementary Student Council Members organized an incredibly successful food drive this Holiday Season. They collected, boxed and provided over 1,500 items for local families' needs! The kids hosted an ornament contest to encourage everyone to remember to bring items they would be able to spare for hungry families in our community. We are very proud of the students, and also want to express thanks to Mr. Brown for his efforts in helping organize this event and all the special things the Student Council does every year.

### Winter Assessments

Winter testing has begun. All student skills are checked in Reading and Mathematics, with our STAR as well as F & P tools.

### “Surprise, Kids!”

Kindergartners were surprised this week by many wonderful mystery reader guests. Sharing a love of reading, and spending special time with these students makes all the difference in their journey to become excellent readers. Just like Mrs. Cara Holicky below!



### Thank You

Last month, we featured and shared our appreciation for our Elementary Secretaries. This month, we would like to take a moment and say an emphatic ‘Thank You’ to our Elementary ‘Specials’ team!

Students receive specialized instruction in a variety of subjects at the Elementary School; Physical Education,

Music, Library, Art, and Guidance. Mr. Brown, Mrs. Schock-Clarkson, Mrs. Wood, Mrs. Hansen, Mr. Westra, and Mrs. Vos Benkowski make an incredible difference in the lives of our students every day.

Most students, when asked “What’s your favorite class?!” will often name one of these - and it is because of the great teachers that create these experiences. Thank you team Special!

### Excitement in Learning

Learning at Unity Elementary is exciting, engaging, amazing, and downright fun! As you can see when the Kindergartner’s learned how water soaks into wood blocks in science....see below!

