

Dear Board Members,

After the Christmas holiday, the Big Sky Students were eager to resume their daily schooling after the appreciated break. During the break a great many of our students accompanied their families to visit relatives in other colonies locally and in Canada. Also, during the break students performed their chore duties in the respective areas within the Colony and assisted their elders/parents respectively. The harvested grain that is grown within the Colony has been taken to the designated grain elevators for shipment to name brand companies with ties to bakery and spirit manufacturing.

Our students continue to work towards their goal of improving knowledge and skills in reading, math, English and writing areas. On a weekly basis our students are involved in physical education/health, library science, counseling, art, and social studies. For January our students of the month are: Gabriel Kleinsasser-2nd, Matilida Wipf-6th, and Aaron Wipf-7th congratulations to these outstanding students. We will soon be receiving five (5) kindergarten students into our Big Sky Elementary School on a part time basis, they are: Maria Kleinsasser, Susanne Wipf, Rebecca Hofer, Juliann Kleinsasser, and Danelle Wipf. With these additions, our total student enrollment will be at 28, by far one of the largest Colonies in comparison to the other colonies in northern/central Montana.

Thanks, Willie Sharp Big Sky School