

Homedale Elementary School Memo



To: Homedale Board of Trustees, Superintendent Rob Sauer
From: Terri Vasquez, Principal
Date: January 12, 2015
Re: Report to Board of Trustees

ENROLLMENT - 462:

AM Kindergarten: 62 (3 SPDC)	2 nd Grade: 79 (1 SPDC)
ELL Kindergarten (AM): 13	3 rd Grade: 101 (4 SPDC)
PM Kindergarten: 37	4 th Grade: 87 (3 SPDC)
1 st Grade: 96 (2 SPDC)	Special Day (COSSA): 13

STUDENT SUPPORT/ENRICHMENT: We had 96 students attend our student support/enrichment day on December 12th. The morning was dedicated to improving skills in reading, math, and writing. After lunch, the students were treated to Santa's Workshop and worked their way through different activities. Students decorated cookies and read stories about the Gingerbread Man, sang Christmas Carols, played Christmas Bingo, made a Gingerbread Man ornament, and created watercolor cards. The art lesson was taught by high school students. We sure appreciate their help!

FOOD DRIVE/CHRISTMAS WISH TREE: Randee Garrett organized the packing of 60 boxes of food with the help of HHS Honor Society, HHS Sources of Strength, and some HMS 5th & 6th grade students. Perry Grant talked to the kids about the value of community service. Kim Wilson, Angie Layne, and Nikki Christensen from the PTO helped distribute the food boxes. PTO donated crochet hooks for the Rag Rug project for each family. Eastern Star adopted 2 families, Silverhawk Realty took 3 students shopping, HPD took 2 students shopping, and multiple families in Homedale contributed or adopted entire families. Randee figures that 200 children were served along with their parents. Job well done, Randee!

SANTA BRUNCH: The PTO made \$8,000 on the 2nd Annual Santa Brunch. They have earmarked the funds to go toward a BrightLink and the Parent Notification System. Thanks for your support, PTO!

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM: The 1st and 2nd grades students presented a Christmas Program to their families and community members on December 16th. Mrs. Walker selected some fun Christmas music and the students did a great job singing and entertaining the crowd.

COATS AND CLOTHES: A huge THANK YOU to Pruett Tire Factory (Joel Wilson) for bringing winter coats for our elementary students and their families! They were greatly appreciated.

PRODUCE: Bags of produce were delivered to our staff members before the Christmas break. Many thanks to Champion Produce (Dwayne Fisher) for the potatoes, onions, oranges, and grapefruit. The staff was very appreciative!

UNIVERSAL BENCHMARK TESTING / IDAHO READING INDICATOR: Students will be given benchmark tests and Winter IRI assessments the weeks of January 12-22.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

January 16 – District Inservice @ HMS
February 5 – Family Math Night