



## Top Ten MADRONA Happenings

1. We had a Dutch Bros. Fundraiser in December as we continue our goal of raising dollars for Chromebooks, we raised roughly \$3000.00. This was a very well-received event.
2. We also held a HOLIDAY STORE, where the students were able to purchase items using real money for their family members and friends. This was not intended to raise money but to give students the opportunity to make spending choices with others in mind. THE STUDENTS LOVED THIS OPPORTUNITY especially when they were given time to wrap each gift.
3. Traditionally, our Madrona Winter Program has been designed for only primary students; we went out on a limb and made it Kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup>. This magical evening event was so well-received, many KUDOS to all involved.
4. Madrona has a SPARROW...he is one of our own, his name is Arion. He has a terminal illness, and we are going to do everything we can as a school to make his time here left as happy and peaceful as can be.
5. Our Rotary Student is Leah Beachy, she is intelligent, helpful, and a true inspiration to others with her positive outlook on life.
6. Our Madrona garden was just winterized; we are so looking forward to what the garden has in store for us in the SPRING.
7. As we review our Progress Monitoring Scores for our students, we are truly witnessing growth in the area of fluency. The RTI model is a lovely pairing with our new Journeys reading program.
8. All of our teachers just received cordless keyboards, this gives each teacher to "teach by roaming" as opposed to being stationary while using the SMARTBOARD.
9. To promote fluency, we had a well-known storyteller come to our school, he was animated and captivating...the school-wide assembly was a big hit.
10. We are installing 4-6 computers in each Kindergarten classroom...our goal is to have students kick start computer literacy as early as possible.

# CHEERS TO A NEW YEAR!!!