

# *Report to the School Board*

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## **Strategic Priority 1: Student Success**

- Holiday Fun!



With annual activities like Winter Wonderland and the annual ginger bread house creations, our students and staff moved into the holiday season with excitement and fun. The whole school gathered for our December CARES assembly and enjoyed a sing-along led by Mr. Harper. Staff presented their version of 12 Days of School. Go CARDS!



- Welcome Back!

The students and staff got back into routines after the holiday break, although attendance has been challenged with various illnesses for all.

- Winter Assessments begin

The winter benchmark assessments are under way in January for reading and math fluency checks for all students K-5. Staff will also assess students in grades 2-6 who have qualified for ADSIS instruction with the computerized NWEA comprehension assessments instruction as a way to monitor progress and growth from the supplemental instruction.

- Math Wizards begins

Members of our fifth grade class began the Math Wizards competition season. Results coming soon.

## **Strategic Priority 2: Effective Staffing**

- Jan. 24 Workshop Day

Its hard to believe that the end of quarter #2 is upon us. Certified staff will have traditional end of quarter workshop responsibilities, as well as module #7 of 9 for Read Act trainings. Elementary Paraprofessionals have a ½ day inservice presented by staff Home and Community Options of Winona.

## **Strategic Priority 3: Finance**

- Budgeting process begins

All certified staff have been asked to begin the annual budgeting process by examining their departments and grade levels. These budgets will be put into our building wide budget for the Superintendent and business manager.

## **Strategic Priority 4: Facilities**

- Construction planning

Disrict and elementary staff met with members of the InGensa team to continue the planning and preparation steps needed in order to complete the updates to our Elementary building and grounds. Staff input is needed and will be gathered for classroom areas and public areas of the building.

## **Strategic Priority 5: Community Engagement**

PLAY Group Mother and Son Day of Fun = Jan. 25