



FORT VANNOY NOBLE NEWS

We are a responsible and caring community of learners.

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January 1st - New Year's Day



January 2nd - School Resumes –Yeah!



10th – PTO Meeting -Cafetria-2:15 pm



15th - Martin Luther King Jr. Day-No School



Box Tops for Education



Keep saving those Box Top labels over the Christmas break. Mrs. Devore's class has an outstanding lead—but they can be caught!



BREAKFAST/SNACK/LUNCH PROGRAM
Just a reminder—HEALTHY, NUTRITIONAL BREAKFAST, SNACK and LUNCH are available, no charge, for all students.

NEW YEARS TRADITIONS

Times Square

Before the ball, there were fireworks. The first New Year's Eve celebration in Times Square in New York City was held in 1904, culminating in a fireworks show. When the city banned fireworks two years later, event organizers arranged to have a 700-pound iron and wood ball lowered down a pole. In the years since, it's become a tradition for Americans to watch the ball start dropping at 11:59 p.m. and to count down the final seconds before the new year begins.

Auld Lang Syne

The song literally means "old long ago." The work by 18th-century Scottish poet Robert Burns has endured the ages and spread beyond Scotland and throughout the English-speaking world. The song is about "the love and kindness of days gone by, but ... it also gives us a sense of belonging and fellowship to take into the future."

Kissing at midnight

But why? Not doing so will ensure a year of loneliness, according to tradition. The custom may date to ancient European times as a way to ward off evil spirits.

Black-eyed peas

It's a tradition to eat Hoppin' John, a stew made of black-eyed peas, in the American South. "Many Southerners believed that the black-eyed peas symbolized coins and eating them insured economic prosperity for the coming year."