Good Morning Evergreen Families,

Here are several notes for your attention:

**Homeless/Hunger Awareness Week - Extended Through Tomorrow**

Due to our snow day on Friday, we have been given permission to extend our Food Drive through Tuesday afternoon.  As a reminder,  over the years, the APS staff has led a food collection effort to support our student-based services of Manna Meals and Hand-to-Hand programs during the Thanksgiving season.  We have been so grateful for the deep commitment you have shown to our community.  You will find a flyer attached to this email that includes more information about our food drive. Thank you so much for your support!

**Poppin’ Popcorn - LET'S GET POPPIN!**

Allendale Elementary PTO’s Poppin’ Popcorn Fundraiser has one more week to go.  The fundraiser will end on Monday, December 5th.  This fundraiser allows the PTO to fund things such as supplies for teachers' classrooms, first-day-of-school t-shirts for our youngest falcons, Kona Ice for field days, Popcorn Fridays, and more!  The PTO appreciates your support!

**Skating Night**

Don’t forget to add it to your calendar - Family Skate Night on Tuesday, November 29 from 6-8 pm. Our Y5-5 PTO is hosting another family skate night, which has always been a big hit with our students. Our second PTO skate night of the year will again be held at Tarry Hall Skating Rink in Grandville. Make plans now to join the fun!

**PTO Family Fare Receipts**

The Family Fare Receipt Contest is coming to a close. The PTO is asking families to send any receipts they have to school with their student in a baggie or envelope, neatly folded with the teacher’s name and # of receipts printed on a note or on the baggie/envelope. Remember, the class that collects the most receipts will win a PIZZA PARTY (one per building). Please send all receipts to school with your student by Thursday, December 1, 2022. Thank you in advance for your support. This funding allows us to provide our students with many extra opportunities while at school.

**Broadway Grand Rapids**

Once again this year Singing Falcons and Falcon Kids are sponsoring a Y-5 Allendale group ticket sale opportunity for Broadway Grand Rapids shows in 2022-2023.  The line-up of shows is amazing: **“Stomp”, “My Fair Lady”, “Hadestown”, and “Frozen”!** Order forms for Broadway shows are due December 2.  Please use this [link](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1E8fEmfdYs1AAmDlDMiclEsV-L5BJook3EBxbr6YKzns/edit?usp=sharing) to the order form.  Please contact Mr. De Zwaan with any questions at [dezwaandan@apsfalcons.net](mailto:dezwaandan@apsfalcons.net).

**Allendale Winter Art Show**

Join us at the Winter Art Show opening reception on Monday, December 5th from 5:30-7:00 PM at the Ceglarek Fine Arts Center (CFAC) Art Gallery Lobby. During the reception, we will provide live music, art activities, and refreshments for all who attend. If you cannot make the opening reception, please take the time to stop by the CFAC between December 5th - December 16th to view your student’s artwork and the work of our other exceptional artists. Selected student artworks from each school will be represented.

**Cold Weather Clothing**

APS is, once again, partnering with LOVE INC to help support families in need of winter gear for their children.  If you may need some assistance in this area, please contact the Evergreen Office at 892-3470.

Respectfully,

Doug Bol, Principal

Evergreen Elementary