



Cresaptown School

NEWSLETTER



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From the desk of Mr. Llewellyn

Each school year, the state of Maryland publishes a Report Card for each of the schools in the state. This Report Card measures school improvement in four different areas—Academic Achievement, Academic Progress, Progress in Achieving English Language Proficiency, School Quality and Student Success.

I am proud to announce that our school received the highest rating of 5 stars! Congratulations to our students, teachers and community for making our school a top rated school in the state!

For a complete report on the results of report card, you can visit report-card.msde.maryland.gov.



I also would like to congratulate first grade for helping put us in the holiday spirit with their annual Christmas Program. The children did an excellent job dancing and singing to the delight of our school and for parents.! A special thank you to Mrs. Irons and Ms. Kelly for helping their students again this year.

I hope that you and your family have a safe holiday. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

December 2019

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Upcoming Events

Schools Closed	12/23-01/01
2-Hour Delayed Opening	01/02
End of 2nd Marking Period	01/17
Schools Closed, Martin Luther King Day	01/20
Schools Closed, Staff Development	01/21



At Cresaptown

- Be Safe
- Be Respectful
- Be Responsible
- Be Ready to Learn



A Note From...

Pre-K

Pre-K is loving this time of year! We have been learning about the holidays, families, and different rooms in the house focusing on the purpose of the room and the items you can find in it. So far we have learned the letters Aa, Mm, Ss, Pp, Tt, Ii, Nn, Cc, and Oo. We are continuing to practice rhyming words, beginning sounds, and syllables. A new skill we are working on is the difference between a letter, word, and sentence. In Math, we are working on counting 0-20, one more, one less, and comparing sets to see which is greater than, less than, or equal. Thanks for all you do at home to help! Have a wonderful holiday season! See you in the new year!



Kindergarten

Kindergarten. We have been learning about first sounds in words and continuing to learn our sight words. In math, we are continuing to count and write our numbers on the way to 100! Keep practicing! We are looking forward to lots of holiday fun together. Mark your calendars for these important dates.

December 17: Grinch Day: Wear your favorite Grinch shirt or green and red to celebrate "Grinch Day"

December 18: Polar Express Day: Children may wear their pajamas for their "Great Polar Express" Ride! (Please remember to have your mittens for the Mitten Exchange to share on Friday.

December 20: School wide "Reindeer Games" We will also be having our Mitten Exchange on this day.

Wishing all of our Kindergarten friends and their families a wonderful and safe holiday

First Grade

December has been a very busy, but fun month. Students have been busy practicing for our Christmas program, enjoying holiday stories and making decorations for the classroom. First graders presented our Sixth Annual Christmas program. The children did a fantastic job dancing and singing to their favorite holiday songs. Family and friends joined first graders after the program for refreshments. On December 19th, first graders will travel to the Cumberland Theater to see the production of Miracle on 34th Street and the Allegany County Library for some holiday stories and activities. We will also visit the Kensington and entertain the residents with some Christmas songs and finger plays. Many students are taking Accelerated Reader tests. Continue to encourage your child to learn addition and subtraction facts and to read each night. Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season!

Happy Holidays!

Second Grade

December is a very busy month in Second Grade! In Math, we are learning different strategies to add two-digit numbers, including using the hundreds chart and expanded form. We are wrapping up our addition facts quizzes this month but we will start up again in January with our subtraction facts. Continue working with your child at home on memorizing addition and subtraction facts. In Science, we have begun learning about different types of habitats. In Reading, we are working hard to become independent readers. An easy way to improve reading fluency at home is to have your child read nightly for 15 minutes. He/she can then fill out the Book-It paper for the month of December. Our big highlight for the month of December is getting to decorate gingerbread houses with our families. Enjoy the Christmas holiday with your family and we will see you in 2020!

Third Grade

Third grade continues to learn to multiply and divide. At this point students should be able to read multiplication, division, addition, and subtraction word problem and use a strategy to find an answer. We will continue to focus on multi-step operation word problems in class. We will begin our unit on area and perimeter in January 2019. In Reading, we would like to encourage all of the students to read every day. Reading will help students build their vocabulary, complete Book-it Calendars, take AR test, and improve their fluency goals. In writing, students are learning to develop essays and write stories. Finally, we would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and we will be excited to see everyone on January 2, 2020.

Fourth Grade

Holiday greetings from fourth grade! We are really looking forward to the holidays and are looking forward to all the fun activities coming our way. During math we have begun working on fractions. Remember to practice multiplication facts to mastery! In reading we are continuing to focus on our writing skills through the use of the TLC model. During Science we are finishing up a unit on energy. This year has been very busy, but fourth graders are definitely up for the challenge! Happy Holidays from grade 4!

Fifth Grade

Fifth graders are finishing December with a book study on Chris Van Allsburg. We will be culminating the month of December by having a festive spirit week. Monday is Santa Day. Come in red and white and wear your Santa hats. Tuesday is Reindeer Day. Wednesday is Elf Day. Thursday is Festive Day. Wear red and green, necklaces with lights, etc. Friday is pajama day and we will culminate the week with reindeer games, hot chocolate and a movie. We would like to wish everyone a happy holiday season.

