



DURHAM ELEMENTARY TIGER NEWS

"Every Student Learns Every Day"



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Principal's Post

Happy Holidays!

As I made my rounds last month and heard and read all of the things our students were thankful for, it was resoundingly clear that family and friends were at the top of their lists. It is our families and friends that bring us great joy and happiness. So then shouldn't it follow that the things we are most thankful for in our lives should also be the things we wish for the most? And so this Christmas, I take my lead from our children as I write my letter to Santa:

Dear Santa,

My wish list this year is for my friends and family both at home and at DES.

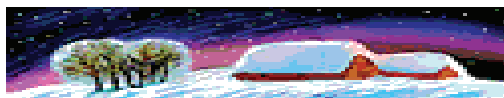
More **joy** than our smiles can contain

More **peace** than our spirits can hold

More **love** than our hearts can imagine

More **kindness** than we have ever shown before

Merry Christmas,



Events In December

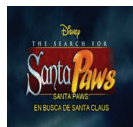
- 1 PTS Meeting 9AM Multi-Purpose Room
- 5 VAPA Performance 5:30PM-Mrs. Halley
- 6 VAPA Performance 5:30PM-Mrs. Masuda
- 7 VAPA Performance 5:30PM-Mrs. Lincoln
- 12 Drop and Shop—PTS 5-7:30PM
- 13 Winter Band Concert - Durham High School 6:30PM
- 20 Christmas Boutique
- 20 DUSD Board Meeting 7PM District Office
- 22 Minimum Day—Release Time 12:45PM
Dec 25th—Jan 5th Winter Break

Dates to Remember in January

- Jan 12th Math-a-Thon kick off
- Jan 19th Kindergarten Registration for 2018-2019
- Jan 26th Math-a-Thon Day and the 100th day of school

Drop and Shop

Need a little time out to get some holiday shopping done without the kids or simply enjoy a few quiet hours? PTS has your solution! We're hosting a drop off movie night for DES students. On Tuesday, December 12th from 5-7:30 PM in the DES multipurpose room we'll be showing, "The Search For Santa Paws" and "Prancer". We're even taking care of dinner! Cost is \$5 per child with a maximum charge of \$20 per family. Stay tuned to the DES PTS Facebook page or the PTS hallway board for more information regarding dinner.



Christmas Boutique 2017

The Christmas Boutique committee is seeking donations of crafted, new or gently used items that our students can purchase for family members (no pet items please). Donations of shopping bags with handles would also be greatly appreciated. Items can be donated by dropping off in the school office between 7:30AM & 4:00PM. Thank you for making this tradition such a fun and successful event! Questions? Please contact; Jeanne Phillips 530-518-6796 or Tami Thomas 530-321-5543



GALA TICKETS NOW ON SALE!

Mark your calendars and get your tickets for our Technology fundraiser, Friday, March 23, 2018 in the Sierra Nevada Big Room! Dance, dine, and bid on some fantastic items donated by many of our local businesses and families during the live and silent auctions. Tickets are only \$50 per person and includes your meal and dancing. Tickets are on sale now at <https://2018durhamgala.eventbrite.com>

Kindergarten and Transitional Kindergarten Registration

Registration for the 2018-2019 school year begins on January 19, 2018 at 9:00 AM.

Kindergarten students need to be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2018.

Transitional Kindergarten students must turn five on or after September 2, 2018 and must be 5 by or on December 2, 2018. Please bring with you your child's **birth certificate**, **current immunizations record** and **proof of residency such as a PG&E bill or something with your physical address on it and from the last month. A PO Box is not acceptable.**

YEARBOOKS! LAST MONTH TO PURCHASE FOR \$20.00!

2017-2018 Yearbooks are now on sale. The price is currently \$20.00 but will be going up to \$25.00 after winter break! Be sure to secure your copy! Forms were sent home with your student but are also available in the school office!



LOST and FOUND

is overflowing! If your student has lost a jacket, shirt, lunchbox or something else, please check the lost and found on the south end of the main hallway of the school. Smaller items may be in the windows of the office. Items not claimed before Winter Break will be donated to a local charity. Thank you.