

January 10th, 2012

Dear Lloyd Community,

Welcome back to school and Happy New Year! We hope you all had a wonderful holiday season, quality time with family and were able to take some time to read together. We closed out 2011 with some great events and look forward to launching 2011 with a great start.

Celebrations

Donuts with Dads: On December 7th, around 300 students, fathers, uncles, and grandfathers attended an event to celebrate reading and time together. It was an inspiring and beautiful scene to see fathers and students engaged in good books. The results of the exit survey showed that 8 parents were satisfied and 84 loved it! Thank you to Ms. Goran and Ms. Troup who helped make this special event possible.

Holiday Celebration: On the evening of December 14th, the auditorium was filled with parents, students and families to celebrate the holidays through dance, song and music. There was a special video that shared moments from the year thus far. Thank you to the 3rd grade team of teachers, Mr. Lucas and Mr. Searles for making the event a night to remember.

3rd, 4th and 5th Grade Photography Event: A group of classrooms participated in a photography competition sponsored by the Union League Civic & Arts Foundation focused on taking photographs of Gratitude & Thanks and My Changing Community. The winning student from each classroom received a digital camera on December 15th.

Attendance: Congratulations to the following classrooms for the highest attendance percentages:

PK: Aguilar (AM, 90%)	3: Salgado (99%)
1: Mendez (98%)	4: Kucinski (98%)
2: Martinez (98%)	5: Kinsella (99%)

Announcements

Attendance Awards: We will be starting several new attendance incentives for students and parents as we dive into the winter months. Traveling trophies will be given to the classroom within each grade level with the best attendance for the previous month. Also, attendance buttons will be awarded at the end of every quarter for those students with no absences or tardies. Lastly, we will be **raffling a bike and helmet** to one K-2 student and one 3-5 student. In order for your child to be eligible, they must have perfect attendance and no tardies for the entire quarter. Attendance rates have dropped over the past month so please make every effort to ensure your child comes to school every day.

Calendar and Events

January 10th: LSC Meeting 9am-11am
January 16th: No School, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
January 18th: Coffee with Mr. Kim 8:30am
January 18th: BAC Meeting 9am
January 19th: Home School Connection Event
January 23rd: Early Dismissal at 1:00pm
January 25th: Monthly Family Math
January 26th: No Uniform Day for \$1
January 27th: No School, Professional Development Day