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District 15 Mission Statement: McHenry Elementary School District 15 is a child-centered community that values connections between people and learning in an environment fostered by mutual respect.

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, November 23-
Friday, November 25

Thanksgiving Break---NO SCHOOL

Monday, November 28

School Resumes

Tuesday, November 29

Assembly, 10:00AM, Morris Brothers

Bullying

Field Trip, Mrs. Mesnard's class, 9:20-10:55AM
Gigi's Playhouse

Thursday, December 1

Character Counts Theme for December is
Fairness

Friday, December 2

Market Day Pick-up, 3:15-4:30PM

Tuesday, December 6

PTO meeting, 6:30PM, Learning Center

Friday, December 9

Duker Dragon Day (spirit day), wear crazy
socks to school
Next newsletter goes home

Monday, December 12

MMS Madrigals perform, 9:00AM

Tuesday, December 13

Holiday Shop (during school hours)

Wednesday, December 14

Holiday Shop (during school hours)
B-Pac meeting (bilingual parents), 5:30-7:00PM
Parkland School, Topic: Technology

Thursday, December 15

Jack Franks' Awards, 9:45AM, gym

December 21-January 3

Winter Break---NO SCHOOL

Please remember to save Campbell's Soup labels, Boxtops for Education labels and empty InkJet cartridges. We also recycle paper...the bin is between Duker and Edgebrook Schools.

LEADERSHIP GROUP---Our 5th grade Leadership Group will be selling candy grams to benefit families for the holidays. Gift cards will be purchased with the profits. Students can purchase candy canes to give to school friends or relatives and include a special message to the receiver on each one they buy. The candy grams will be on sale in the main foyer on Tuesdays and Thursdays (December 1-15) before school for 50¢ each.

TOYS FOR TOTS---Help bring hope and joy to less fortunate children this year by collecting new and unwrapped toys for children ages 0-14 this holiday season. Toys for Tots has a box in our lobby for toys to be dropped off until December 4th. These toys will then be distributed as gifts for the holidays to needy children in our community. Additional information on events and other official Toys for Tots drop off locations can be found on the Toys for Tots website at www.toysfortots.org.

PTO NEWS---Don't forget our next meeting on Tuesday, December 6th, at 6:30PM, in the Learning Center. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Meetings usually last one hour or less.

The next Market Day pickup is Friday, December 2nd, from 3:15-4:30PM. On-line orders can be placed through Tuesday, November 29th, at 11:00PM.

Lani Boyle was the October Boxtops for Education winner. Lani and a friend were treated to a free lunch with the principals. Please remember to save the Boxtops for Education labels that are on many food products. Put your child's name on the back of each one and have your child put it in the bin in the office. New names are drawn each month.

The PTO will be bringing the Penguin Patch Holiday Shop to Duker School on Tuesday, December 13th and Wednesday, December 14th, during school hours. This will give the students the opportunity to do all of their holiday shopping for moms, dads, grandmas, grandpas, sisters and brothers. 60% of the items for sale are \$3.00 or less. Watch for additional information to come home with your children very soon.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR FIFTH GRADERS---Congratulations to Mrs. Mick, our music teacher, and all of our 5th grade students on their musical performances this week! I think everyone would agree that they did a great job!

**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING**

