

Refrigerator Notes

Bean Elementary Newsletter

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Dates to Remember

- **Dec 3:** Santa Breakfast, 8:30-11:30 am
- **Dec 5:** Grade Level Field Trip Reservations/Payments Due
- **Dec 7:** TRUE Community Credit Union Day
- **Dec 8:** Bean PTA Meeting, 6:30 pm
- **Dec 14:** 2nd Grade Caroling Field Trip, in the AM
- **Dec 16:** POP into Reading, 25¢ for popcorn
PTA Raffle Sales End
- **Dec 21:** TRUE Community Credit Union Day
PTA Raffle Drawing
- **Dec 22:** 3rd Grade Ice Skating Field Trip, in the AM
- **Dec 23:** Half-Day of School, 12:05 pm dismissal
- **Dec 26-Jan 6:** No School - Winter Break

Arrival/Dismissal Times

Please note the following important times:

- * Students may **enter the building at 8:15 am**
- * School **starts at 8:30 am** every day
- * Students are considered **Tardy at 8:40 am**
- * Students are dismissed on **half days at 12:05 pm**
- * Students are dismissed at **2:35 pm on Early Release Wednesdays**
- * Students are dismissed at **3:35 pm on regular days**

Grade Level Field Trips

Our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students are planning their big end-of-the-year field trips. Information packets went home with all students and are available in the Links to Flyers section of this newsletter. Reservation forms for all three trips are due to the office by Monday, December 5 along with initial payments for each participant. Space is limited for adults, so be sure to return your reservation early. If we fill up, parents will be put on a wait list in case space opens up.



PTA Events



Thank you to all volunteers that worked our Penguin Patch Holiday Shop! The kids really enjoy being able to shop for their families at this event.

The Santa Breakfast is tomorrow, Saturday, December 3. The event will take place from 8:30-11:00 am and cost \$5/adults and \$3/child (cash only accepted for this event). Thank you to all Bean "dads" and other volunteers who signed up to do the cooking and clean up or donated items. If you are planning to attend, be sure to sign up for a timeslot to attend the event so we can keep the flow even.



The PTA Raffle Fundraiser is still open with sales continuing until December 16. If you'd like extra tickets to sell, please contact Mrs. Miller for more. Thank you!

Dear Bean Families,

A new position opened up in our Administration's Finance Department and I have been chosen to fill that new position. That means that I will be transitioning out of my position at Bean over the course of the next few weeks and a new secretary will be taking my place.

While I'm excited about learning a new job and providing support in a new area, I will be sad to leave Bean! I have been the secretary at Bean since 2010 so I've gotten to know a lot of students and families over the years. I'm not exactly sure how to express how much I have valued being a part of the lives of all the students and their families over the years. Whether it has been sharing in joyous news and accomplishments or consoling through bad times, I have been appreciative of the trust you have shown in sharing these moments with me.

The Bean Staff has been such a wonderful family of people to work with that I will especially miss seeing them every day! I have always felt valued, appreciated, and supported which makes it very hard to leave such a welcoming workplace. I'm sure it will be wonderful at the Administration building too, but it will never be BEAN!

I am confident that Bean's new secretary will be a wonderful person and will work hard to provide you all with a stable source of information and support. You'll notice in the next couple of weeks, a new face in the office and a new voice on the phone. Please welcome this person with the warmth and friendliness that I have felt every day for the past twelve years. You may also notice some changes to normal daily routine as the new person learns the ropes and develops their own flair. Please be patient and gracious. I can assure you that we will be doing everything we can to provide as smooth a transition as possible.

Thank you for all the years of smiles and friendship and support and laughs and excited greetings at the grocery store. I'm sure I'll still see you around from time to time.

Sincerely,
Christina / Mrs. Miller



Links to Flyers and SignUps

- [First Fruits](#) – the First Fruits program offers healthy food at reduced prices, orders can be placed into December
- [POP into Reading Volunteers](#) – if we have enough volunteers, we'll offer students the chance to buy popcorn once or twice per month
- [Western Youth Can-Bottle Drive](#) – help Western Youth Baseball by contributing to their fundraiser Nov 5, 12, 19 and Dec 3
- [3rd Grade Detroit Zoo Field Trip](#) – view the packet of information for this trip
- [4th Grade Greenfield Village Field Trip](#) – view the packet of information for this trip
- [5th Grade Chicago Field Trip](#) – view the packet of information for this trip
- [Santa Breakfast Volunteers](#) – sign up here to help set up or work the event
- [Santa Breakfast Donations](#) – sign up here to donate items needed for the event
- [Santa Breakfast Reservations](#) – reserve your timeslot for this fun event