



## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

December 3, 2021

*"Take a moment to think about just how wonderful you are. I would be pretty proud if I were you!"*

*As December kicks off and the holiday season is in full swing, I just want to take a moment to say Thank you to our families for keeping health and safety guidelines in mind ensuring that all can plan and participate in the many fun and engaging festivities that surround us at this time of year. Keep in mind that your decisions and choices can impact so many others so....if your child is not feeling well, please keep them home. If they are exhibiting COVID symptoms, please test. If we all do our part we should be able to enjoy all that the holiday season offers. As always, any questions or concerns, please reach out. We are happy to help.*

### **As we strive to return to "as much normal as possible," just a couple of highlights!**

- Amazing to see the students circulate through the holiday shop. Thank you to all the volunteers who shopped, set up, helped our students, and wrapped while our students selected gifts for friends and family....and who would have believed contactless payment would have been possible – even in elementary school =0)!
- Student Council has returned and we are genuinely excited to welcome back this important and educational component of our students' school experience. We were so proud of our students' volunteer spirit and all those who ran for election. Although there is only 1 elected officer or class representative, there will be many, many opportunities for participation throughout the year. Stay tuned as we create student voices in the area of school climate and culture.
- The annual Toys for Tots collection has also returned and we are extremely proud to report that 109 new gifts were delivered to the high school for general pick up. Thank you, not only for your generosity, but also for creating a holiday for those who may not have had one if not for your thoughtful kindness.
- Our lost and found bins are beginning to overflow – a sure sign that students are back in the building and outdoor recess is part of our daily routine! Please be sure to **LABEL everything**. We will do our best to return all labeled items to your child. Also, remind them to check in lost and found if items are missing in your cabinets (lots of water bottles) or closets.

**PARKING** – Please be aware that the staff parking lot is a very very busy place with faculty and staff arriving at all times of the day – including during drop off and pick up. PLEASE do not park or drop off in front of the staff driveway nor use it for a "turn around" spot. **SO dangerous!**

Please enjoy the change in routine that a weekend brings.

Mrs. Tierney