

THE FINDLEY FOCUS

Findley Elementary School's Monthly Newsletter

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"Aim high! Believe! Dream Big!"

Mark your calendars!

January 19th—MLK Day (No School)

February 6th—4th Grade to Art Center

February 18th—3rd Grade to Opera Iowa

WE ARE A PBIS SCHOOL!

(Positive Behavior

Intervention and Support)

RESPECT Self

RESPECT Others

RESPECT Property

RESPECT Learning

December Sing-a-Long

Just before Winter Break started, students gathered in the gym and participated in a performance by 4th and 5th grade followed by a sing-a-long full of festive holiday music. It was so much fun to have the entire staff and all of our students together in one place.



We hope you had a safe,
warm and wonderful
Winter Break.



Welcome to a safe and healthy new year!

Families, provide your child with a tobacco-free environment. Indoor air pollution from tobacco increases ear infections, chest infections, and even Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS). If you smoke, consider quitting. If able, smoke outside, thus reducing the exposure your family gets from second hand smoke. Remember, the most important predictor of whether your children will grow up to be smokers is whether you smoke. Make your home a smoke-free zone. Thanks, Nurse Cynthia

Winter is here!

Please make sure your child dresses for these cold, winter days. Students will be outside for recess when the weather is 15 degrees or warmer. Students may play in the snow when wearing snow pants, waterproof boots (with a change of shoes for inside), mittens, and a hat.

Welcome, New Teachers!

Look for two new faces on the Findley faculty this semester. **Mary Knudsen**, originally from Saint Ansgar, Iowa, has a degree in Elementary Education from Iowa State University and will work as a K-2 math and reading interventionist. Mary brings her experience as a cheerleader to the Findley Dance and Cheer Team. **Julia O'Malley**, who recently worked as a student teacher in Ms. Wilcox's room, has been hired as a 3rd - 5th grade interventionist at Findley. Julia also teaches ESL Saturday School at Meredith Middle School. We are lucky to have these talented teachers on our team.

Calling all parents!

Do you have a new cell phone number? Have you moved? Have you recently switched jobs? The new year is a good time to make sure that all Emergency Phone numbers for your child are up to date. Please help us reach you as quickly as possible in the case of an emergency.

