

December 2024 Calendar

December Field Trips Green Portable 12/16 | Marionette Theater 9:00 AM

Purple Portable 12/19 | Marionette Theater 9:00 AM

<u>Elementary</u> 12/06 | SCSM "Rock, Paper, Silver" Tour 9:00 AM 12/13 | Marionette Theater 9:00 AM 12/20 | Cooper Library

## **BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUTS**

Happy birthday to the following students and staff with December birthdays! May your special day be filled with joy, laughter, and wonderful memories.

12/24 Ms. Kim | 12/24 Warren | 12/24 Aeron | 12/26 Hannah

Save the Date! 12/14 | Richland Country Winter Wonderland Family Festival 12/15 | Charismatic Dance Recital 12/17 | Winter Show 12/20 | PJ Day 12/23 - 01/06 | Winter Break



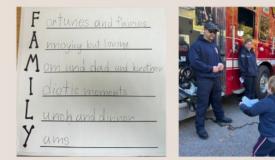
Harmony School Clothing Swap

We hope everyone had the opportunity to find some clothes they needed during our clothing swap! It was wonderful to see our community come together to share and support one another.

Thanks to your incredible generosity, we collected an abundance of items of clothing, including shirts, sweaters, and other essentials. These donations will make a meaningful difference for individuals and families in need within our community.

### Thank You Week

Throughout the last week on Thanksgiving, the children had the opportunity to celebrate friendships, recognize and appreciate the contributions of community helpers, and express gratitude for their families. It was heartwarming to see the joy and appreciation shared amongst our community.





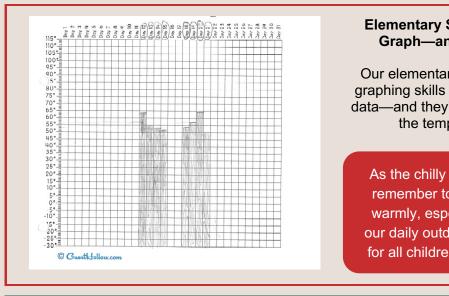


Classroom Wishlists Green Portable | Purple Portable | Elementary

Your thoughful gifts to the teachers and contributions from our classroom wishlists mean so much to us! Your kindness and support help make our classrooms a warm and welcoming place for the children to learn and grow. We are truly grateful for the amazing Harmony School community and all that you do!



Harmony School is partnering with the Richland County Recreation Commission's **Winter Wonderland Family Festival** by heading up the toy drive! Bring a NEW toy to the office by **Friday, December 13** to receive a wristband for **FREE** family admission, which includes a photo with Santa, access to all games/refreshments and an entry in the gift card drawing!



### Elementary Students Are Learning to Graph—and It's Getting Colder!

Our elementary students are honing their graphing skills by collecting and organizing data—and they've noticed an exciting trend: the temperature is dropping!

As the chilly weather settles in, please remember to send your child dressed warmly, especially with jackets during our daily outdoor activities. It's essential for all children to be able to participate!

Harmony School's Winter Show December 13 | 6 PM | Bethel Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

In November, we raised **\$36.38** for Epworth Children's Home!

December's charity will be Families Helping Families. Their mission is to provide direct support to families facing financial hardship or crisis by offering essential items, such as food, clothing, and gifts! The overarching goal is to create a network of compassion and generosity, ensuring no family is left without support. Join us for an enchanting evening as we proudly present our Winter Show, a spectacular culmination of semester-long efforts in science, music, and theatre.

Please note that children should dress in semiformal attire. To ensure everyone enjoys the full experience, elementary students are kindly requested to arrive at 5:30 PM, while our preschool students should arrive at 5:45 PM and settle in with their families. If your child is unable to participate, please let their teacher know!



We're wrapping up the year with a fun and festive Pajama & Movie Day on Friday, December 20th!

Send your child to school in their favorite cozy pajamas as we enjoy a relaxed and cheerful last day before winter break. The children will spend the day celebrating the holiday spirit with their friends and enjoying a special movie treat.



# Words from the Wise

"What does generosity mean?" "Generosity means to give and be generous to others." - Amadeo, 9

"It means you love people." -Eden, 5

"Generosity means that you're kind, sweet and love people like you would love yourself." - Iliyah, 9

"Hmmm.. let me think. It means someone that is kind and paying attention." - SJ, 5

"Imagine if I gave you my stuffed animal when you couldn't sleep at night. I wouldn't expect anything in return." - Daenerys, 8



#### Elementary Students are Leading a No-Idle Zone for Cleaner Air

The elementary students at Harmony School are establishing a "No-Idle Zone" to reduce vehicle emissions and improve air quality. Through classroom discussions and activities, they've learned how vehicle idling contributes to pollution, wastes fuel, and impacts health - especially for

them and their younger peers.

A single vehicle dropping off and picking up students at one school puts three pounds of pollution into the air per month! Studies have shown that a "no-idle zone" can significantly reduce idling time by up to 30%.

By spreading awareness and encouraging small, actionable changes, these young environmentalists are showing that everyone can play a role in protecting the planet!

Check out these ideas for at home Winter Break fun!

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