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To: Disney Parents
From: Kathleen Hagstrom, Principal
Re: Assorted Matters

November 23, 2011

No School for Students Thursday and Friday, November 24 & 25
Happy Thanksgiving to all Disney Families!

- **Calendar Dates** - Mark your calendar for these non-attendance days: **Thanksgiving Holiday - November 24 and November 25**
Winter Break – Winter break begins after school on **Friday, December 23**. Children return to school on **Monday, January 9, 2012**

- **Awards Assembly** – We will be holding an awards assembly for each floor on **Tuesday, November 29**; the time schedule is:
3rd fl -**5-8th grade - 8:30 a.m.** 2nd fl– **2-4th grade – 9:15 a.m.** 1st floor – **pre-k, kindergarten and 1st grade-10:00a.m.**

- **LSC** – the next Local School Council meeting is **Monday, December 12**, at 5:30 p.m.

- **PAC** – The next “Coffee Time” meeting of the Parent Advisory Council is **Friday, December 2**, at 8:15 a.m. Ms. Collazo, 2nd floor Director will be presenting. All families are welcome; refreshments will be served. PAC will also hold a meeting on Friday, December 16.

- **PTA** – PTA will be hosting its monthly meeting on **Tuesday, December 6**, at 7:45 a.m. There will be a family “Movie Night” on **Friday, December 16**. Thank you to everyone who supported PTA and Disney school through the Red Apple Fundraiser and the Scholastic Book Fair. A special thank you to all the parents who volunteered during the book fair and in sorting fund raiser orders.

- **Next Year Admission and Open House** – We will be holding an Open House for prospective parents on **Thursday, December 8** and 9:00 a.m.; if you know parents who are interested in applying for Disney please tell them about it. Applications for admission to grades kindergarten and higher, are now being taken at the Office of Academic Enhancement. You can apply on-line or download and print the application from the website: www.apply.cps.edu. The Standard Magnet Elementary Application is required and you will need to use the Disney school code which is 8000DH. Applications are mailed to: Attn: Standard Elementary Application, CPS, 125 S Clark Street, 4th floor, , Chicago IL 60603; **applications must be postmarked by December 16, 2011.**

- **Report Card** – If you did not make it to report card pick-up day on November 16, please come to the main office to pick up your child’s report card within the next 2 weeks. If you want a conference with the teacher, you will need to send a note to the teacher to request an appointment to meet with them.

- **Pod 210 CAC Unit** – Monday, December 5, third grade will begin their 2-week CAC unit, *Natural Disasters*. Please consult your child’s teacher for their needs for parent volunteer help. The culminating performance is **Friday, December 16** at 9:30 a.m.; all parents are welcome to attend, however no children under 5 years old are permitted.

- **After School All Stars** – The ASAS program will continue on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays through **March 29**. For students in the program, consistent attendance and prompt pick-up is important. Repeated late pick up or non-attendance will result in the student being excluded from the program. If you have questions about the program or if your child needs to miss a day of after school, you need to send a note, via your child’s teacher and to the attention of Ms. Juarez, ASAS Coordinator.

- **Morning Drop Off** – Please note, the CAC entrance door will close at 8:00 in the morning; after 8:00 students enter Door 6.

- **Tip of the Month** – Keep Track of Peer Relationships: Know what’s going on with your child’s friends. Depending on the age of your child, peer relationships can have a profound effect on their emotional, academic and social behavior. Talk to your children about what kind of problems they may be having and help them learn how to problem solve.

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