



# MITCHELL ELEMENTARY



*Moving Above and Beyond*

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## Message from the Principal

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Dear Parents,

Can you believe there are only two more weeks left in this semester? I'm proud to say Mitchell has had a wonderful first semester. Everyone has been very supportive of our mission to educate every child. We have also participated in several successful community projects. Thanks to your support, we more than doubled our United Way goal!!

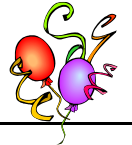
December 5th through December 7th students in 2nd-4th grade will participate in our second MCT practice test. Students' scores will be used to direct

their instruction for the second semester. Please talk to your child about the importance of this test.

CMSD Christmas Holidays begins Friday, December 15th. Students will be dismissed early. Please make sure someone is home for bus riders. Please make sure car riders are picked up on time. Classes will resume on Thursday, January 4th. Don't forget Reading Fair projects are due that day.

**I wish each and every one of you a very safe and happy holiday season.**

## December Birthdays



Henry Womack	12/3
Ms. Gunter	12/3
Ms. Ross	12/4
LaQuintis Brooks	12/8
Daylon Stewart	12/14
Donovan Stewart	12/14
Cadarius Humphreis	12/16
Ellis Barry	12/20
Aailyah Coley	12/26
Daisha Scott	12/26

## Special Reminders

- Please don't forget to read with your child EVERY night.
- Please sign your child's papers every Tuesday night.
- For our students safety, please enter the building through the front door.
- Please don't forget to sign-in and sign-out in the office.
- Please make sure your child is in uniform every day.
- Please make sure your child's coat is navy, white, or khaki.
- Please make sure transportation changes are made before 2:00.

## T.M.X. Tickle Me Elmo

We are selling raffle tickets for a chance on a T.M.X. Tickle Me Elmo. This is one of the hottest toys of the holiday season. Tickets are \$5.

The drawing will be December 15th.



## November Students of the Month

- Dasia Young
- Davonta Martin
- Joshua Manning
- Daisha Scott
- Jasmine Dumas
- Amber Orr
- Kevis Hill
- Kristin Wallace

# December Character Trait: Respect

## Important Dates to Remember

- I treat other people the way I want to be treated.
- I am considerate of other people.
- I treat people with civility, courtesy, and dignity.
- I accept personal differences.
- I work to solve problems without violence.
- I never intentionally ridicule, embarrass, or hurt other people

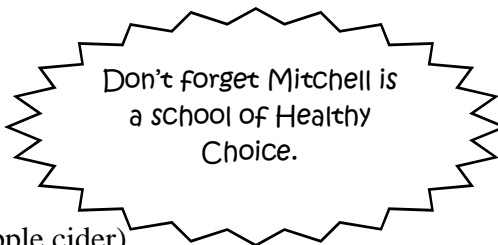


Parent's Afternoon Out	Dance
3:15–5:15	12/6
AR Cutoff	12/6
Christmas Program	12/14
5:30 PM	
Reading Rocks	12/15
End of Third Six-Weeks	12/15
Early Dismissal	12/15
Winter Break	12/18– 1/3
Students Return to School	1/4
Reading Fair Boards Due	1/4
Reading Fair	1/5

## Baked Apples with Cinnamon-Yogurt Topping

Puts a new spin on traditional baked apples with this easy-to-make recipe.

- 4 Granny Smith or Gala apples
- 3/4 cup brown sugar
- 1/4 cup cornstarch
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 cup unsweetened apple juice (or apple cider)



- Step 1: Parent **and** Child: Wash hands. Gather ingredients and utensils.
- Step 2: Parent: Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.
- Step 3: Child: Spray an 8 x 8-inch baking dish with nonstick cooking spray; set aside. Wash apples.
- Step 4: Parent **and** Child: Core and thinly slice apples.
- Step 5: Child: Place apples in a medium-size bowl and toss with the apple juice. Mix brown sugar, cornstarch, cinnamon, nutmeg and salt together in a small bowl. Sprinkle over apples and stir gently until apples are coated.
- Step 6: Child: Pour apples into prepared baking dish.
- Step 7: Parent: Bake in preheated oven 40 minutes or until apples are slightly browned at edges and sauce is bubbling.
- Step 8: Child: Line a colander with several paper towels and place over a bowl to catch drips. Pour yogurt into colander and drain about 30 minutes.
- Step 9: Child: Spoon yogurt into a small bowl. Stir in honey and cinnamon.
- Step 10: Parent: Serve apples warm and top each serving with 1/4 of the yogurt topping.

Makes 4 servings

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