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## **Parent Resource Newsletter**

Parent Tips for School Success Parent ENGAGEMENT = School Success!

"Try Some Holiday Traditions with your Children"

Navigating through daily life and school with your children during the pandemic can be a very trying time. Take a moment to create some new family traditions and have fun with it! Here are some ideas:

- Give Back: make the holidays more meaningful by volunteering, shovel someone's sidewalk, send a holiday card/note, call someone to say hi.
- Get Busy in the Kitchen—make your favorite treat, a Gingerbread house, holiday cookies
- Connect With Nature—edible garlands of popcorn, cranberries, and dried orange slices are fun to make, beautiful to look at, and a delight for all kinds of birds and animals.
- Share Holiday Stories—In days of old, the holiday season was a time of stories—old tales and ghost stories and family lore. You can bring this tradition back by reading holiday-themed books to share throughout the season or telling old stories when you were a kid.

## **Holiday Websites for Children**

<u>https://www.northpoletimes.com/</u> - a fun newspaper style website with games, crafts, and fun stories.

<u>www.claus.com</u>—Village full of fun things to do for both kids and parents

https://www.noradsanta.org/ - a captivating website encouraging science exploration, geographical awareness, reading, creativity, and more through its inventive use of technology.

What Parents Can Do: Be involved!

\*Please check your child's school calendar for specific dates for events..

Christmas Vacation—school is closed from December 24 to January 1st.

School reopens on January 4th, 2021

## **Title I News for Parents**

<u>Title I</u> is a federal education program that provides funds to help schools and districts improve student achievement through additional instruction for students, and educational materials and activities that help parents support their children's education.



\*Parent Resource Center\*

During this difficult time, please feel free to contact your child's school if you are in need of any support from the Title I Parent Resource Center. Our Title I teachers are also available through email and telephone for information and support for your child.



On Saturday, October 31st, Dan Flood Elementary School hosted a Parent & Family Engagement Harvest Festival Pickup. At the pickup, Dan Flood Parent Liaison Mary Jo Petlock and fellow Title I teachers gave out premade Parent & Family Engagement Bags. These bags included fall reading & math activities, crafts, stories, Title 1 Information, Parent Advisory Council Forms, games and food for the whole family. Below are the Gonzalez and Vazquez-Ruiz families enjoying the activities!











