



This Week

- Mon., Dec. 8** **New Toy Drive Starts Today Thru Dec. 18**
Gr. 2 InView Assessments
Art Escapades K-5, 3:30-4:30, Rm. 163
Computer/Video Programming, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 148
Gr. 2 Scouts, rm. 132
K Daisies Troop 690, rm. 150
- Tue., Dec. 9** **New Toy Drive**
Gr. 2 InView Assessments
MSA Basketball, 3:30-4:45 pm, gym
- Wed., Dec. 10** **New Toy Drive**
Intermediate French, 8:00-9:00 am, rm. 212
Intro to Spanish, 8:15-9:00 am, rm. 125
Art Escapades Gr. K-5, 3:30-4:30 pm, Rm. 163
Beginning Spanish, 3:30-4:30, rm. 120
Chess, 3:30-4:45 pm, Media Center
- Thur., Dec. 11** **New Toy Drive**
Chinese, 3:30-4:30 pm, rm. 213
MSA Indoor Soccer, 3:30-4:30 pm
- Fri., Dec. 12** **New Toy Drive**
Odyssey of the Mind, 3:30, Media Center
Wear your school colors today
Have a great weekend!

A Look Ahead

- Dec. 18** **Chorus Concert, 7:00 pm, APR**
Dec. 24-Jan. 2 **Winter Break**

Please note: Our chorus concert has been changed to Thursday, December 18, 7:00 pm, due to a conflict with Cabin John MS winter concert. The original date was Thursday, December 11. We apologize for any inconvenience.

- **A message from the Health Room:** We are seeing increasing incidents of strep throat and other wintertime ailments at Bells Mill. To stop the spread of illness, it is important that parents:
 - keep children home from school when they are not feeling well;

-be sure that children are fever free for 24 hours, without fever-reducing medication, before returning to school;

-if medication is prescribed, keep children home until they have been on prescription medication for at least 24 hours.

Questions, contact Deborah Stapleton RN, School Health Nurse.

- **The SGA is asking for donations of new, unwrapped toys for their New Toy Drive, December 8 through December 18.** The greatest need is for toys appropriate for children ages preschool through middle school. Toys will go to local families. Students should bring their donations to their classrooms.
- **Parents, we need your help.** We give students permission to phone parents when a child forgets something important or needs to clarify dismissal plans. Nevertheless, students manage to phone parents during the school day to arrange after-school playdates. We have seen an increase in the number of late-day changes in dismissal plans due to playdates. Please reinforce with your children that playdates should be arranged prior to coming to school. As always, teachers should be provided with a note regarding after school plans.
- The 2014-2015 Bells Mill Reflections entries are on display in the main hallway, Monday, December 8, thru Friday, December 12. Parents are welcome to view the exhibit. This year's theme, "**The World Would Be A Better Place If.....**" inspired many of our students. Following is a list of entries in each of the six categories.

Dance Choreography

Intermediate Division

Maya Siegal, Gr. 3, "Swirling Colors"

Film Production

Primary Division

Opal Siegal, K, "Take Care of Animals"

Ruby Siegal, Gr. 2, "Same Cultures Different Cultures Can be Friends"

Intermediate Division

Maya Siegal, Gr. 3, "Playing at the Playground"

Austin Chen, Gr. 5, "Robbers, they Never Learn"

Literature

Primary Division

Shivali Durbhakula, K, "The World Would Be a Better Place, If.."

Allison Lin, Gr. 2, "Music, Peace & Nature"

Zijing Wu, Gr. 1, "The World Would Be a Better Place, If..."

Intermediate Division

Alex Lily Sonnabend, Gr. 4, "Friend to Heal the Earth"

Alex Lily Sonnabend, Gr. 4, "This is Dedicated to the People of the Earth"

Sophia Ibrahim, Gr. 4, "What a Wonderful World Can Be"

Max Brodsky, Gr. 3, "Everyone Needs a Place to Play"

Pavani Durbhakula, Gr. 3, "The World Would be a Better Place, If..."

Kevin Zhu, Gr. 3, "The World Without Smoking and etc."

Rebecca Zhu, Gr. 5, "A Dream That Changes the World"

Maya Siegal, Gr. 3, "Seasons of the Year"

Audrey Benford, Gr. 4, "If..."

Ilayda Dogan, Gr. 4, "To Make a Better World"

Music Composition

Primary Division

Opal Siegal, K, "I Love You Mommy & Daddy"

Ruby Siegal, Gr. 2, "Magical Bird"

Intermediate Division

Maya Siegal, Gr. 3, "The Winter's End"

Austin Chen, Gr. 5, "Underestimated"

Harrison Benford, Gr. 4, "Pandora's Box"

Photography

Intermediate Division

Spencer Swetlow, Gr. 4, "The Dangerous, But Nice Deer"

Max Brodsky, Gr. 3, "Everyone Needs a Place to Play"

Visual Arts

Primary Division

Ella Ettinger, K, "You Should Plant Trees"

Opal Siegal, K, "Make the World Peaceful"

Alexis Coleman-Cook, K, "Lexi's Photos"

Zijing Wu, Gr. 1, "If I Were a Dolphin"

Shawn Elizabeth Fei Wang, Gr. 1, "Wishes Came True"

Shawn Elizabeth Fei Wang, Gr. 1, "We Are All Friends"

Jonah Ramos, Gr. 2, "Peace on Earth"

Allison Lin, Gr. 2, "Love Nature"

Ruby Siegal, Gr. 2, "The Heart Takes Over the World"

Aleeza Ali, Gr. 2, "A Little Goes a Long Way"

Intermediate Division

Maya Siegal, Gr. 3, "One Winter's Day"

Maya Siegal, Gr. 3, "Music in Nature"

Max Brodsky, Gr.3, "Everyone Needs a Place to Play"

Spencer Swetlow, Gr. 4, "The World Would be a better place if it were filled with Sailboats"

Benjamin Chu, Gr. 4, "The Tree of Life/The Different Tree"

Avery Grace Max, Gr. 4, "Perfect"

Austin Vinner, Gr. 5, "Work, Beauty, Love"

Charlotte Caine, Gr. 5, "Just Look"

Jocelyn Norman, Gr. 5, "Walking in a Forest"

Students who will be advancing to the county level will be announced prior to winter break. Congratulations and good luck to all our artists! Thank you to Stefanie Heideman, Bells Mill Reflections Chair.

Thank you for being partners in your child's education