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HOPE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Happy Holidays! It's always a challenge this time of year, to balance what's left of the semester's required academics with the excitement of the upcoming holidays; the kids are pretty frisky. But work they must, at least for a few more weeks. Squeezed into their rigorous study schedule though are lots of fun things going on at the Hope School and around town this month:

HOLIDAY STUDENT PROGRAM: A musical extravaganza will be offered on Wednesday, December 20, at 6pm in the school gym – don't miss it!

HOLIDAY CRAFT BAZAAR: Taking place at the Social Hall, December 9 this year. Come on down between 11-4 to shop and eat and socialize.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS SOCIAL: A tradition for many years, this community get together is always a sweet reminder of how special it is to live in Hope. The Social Hall will be packed with good cheer and good food and as always, there'll be a visit from Santa with goodies for all the kids. Bring a dish to share, 5:30pm on Saturday, December 16th.

SECRET SANTA: In the spirit of giving and creativity, Mrs. T encourages the students each year to exchange handmade gifts with each other, anonymously.

CHARITY GIVING: For the past few years at this time, the kids have picked a charity in Anchorage to donate to, such as clothes and blankets to the women's and children's shelter. This year, they decided to keep it closer to home and will be making donations to the Hope Food Bank. Thank you Hope School students and staff!

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS: This statewide reading motivation and comprehension program is once again in full swing at the Hope School. Books are selected by a committee of librarians and teachers and include some fabulous reads. Our students in grades 4,5, and 6 are busy reading as many of them as they can before the competition in February when they'll go head to head with other area schools answering detailed questions about the books' content.

4-H UPDATE: Archery instruction continues with practice on Thursdays, 3:45-5pm. Thanks to Kristy and Andy for heading this up.

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BREAKFAST ON WEDNESDAYS: There will be two more breakfasts – December 6 and 13 - offered to the community before the Christmas break. Come join us between 8:30-9:30am for a yummy get-together.

PTO MEETING – December’s Parent/Teacher Organization meeting is Wednesday, December 13th at 3:45pm, in the school library. All are welcome to attend.

RUMMAGE SALE, TAKE THREE: Once again, the school gym will be filled with secondhand items such as clothing, shoes, toys, etc. going **CHEAP!** Why drive to Value Village when you can rummage right here?! Saturday, December 17, 12:30-2:30

OPEN GYM: Mrs. T, always a glutton for punishment, says that open gym will continue every Thursday night, 6-7:30pm, through December 21. All ages welcome.

NEW GYM EQUIPMENT: If you’ve ever been in the gym during a recess break, you’ve no doubt witnessed the scooter craze. The kids love these things - simple little self-propelled, contraptions with a seat and handlebars. The originals survived for many years but we’re now down to just two barely working units. Thankfully, seven new scooters have been ordered and are due to arrive any day now!

WINTER BREAK: School is out for kids on December 22, and all the next two weeks, with no school again until January 8th. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone!



