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**December 2022**

Dear Parents,

This month began, with our class starting a new study. Since the winter season is upon us and many families will be baking during the holiday season, we thought that it would be a good idea to do a bakery study. We will be learning about what a bakery is; the different tools and ingredients that a baker uses when baking; as well as the different bakery items that are made and sold at a bakery. The students will also be making and baking a few items themselves at school.

We have some important information, dates, and reminders to share with you for this month.

To begin with, it is very important that you notify us **immediately** of any change in your home, work, or cell phone numbers.  **We need to have a current phone number that we can reach you at all times.**  If you have recently changed any phone number(s), please let us know what the new number is, so that we may update our files.  Your cooperation with this is greatly appreciated!

We also ask that you **please label your child’s winter hats, coats, scarves, sweaters, and mittens/gloves**, so that we know to whom the clothes belong to.

  On Friday, December 2nd, the Ignacio Cruz School will be having Fútbol Day. Students are asked to come to school wearing their favorite fútbol (soccer) shirt or jersey in celebration of the FIFA World Cup!

Picture Day will be held on Wednesday, December 7th. You will receive a form from the picture company with information for you to review.

Cookies with Santa Night will be held on Thursday, December 8th. Those families who have signed up to attend – please arrive at your **scheduled time** and don’t forget to bring your child’s ticket. Adults do not need to have a ticket for this event – only children.

We will be having an Ugly Sweater Day on Friday, December 16th. Please have your child come to school wearing an ugly sweater. We will also be having a Winter Family Celebration in the classroom this day. You will receive further information about this event.

On Wednesday, December 23rd, our school will be having a Pajama Day, as well as early dismissal at 12:15pm.

This month, we also have our classmate Aaliyah celebrating her 5th birthday on December 15th. We also have another classmate Meybellin who celebrated her 5th birthday last month, on November 27th. We wish both girls a very Happy 5th Birthday!

One additional reminder…Cruz School will be **CLOSED** from **December 24th until January 1st** for Winter Recess Break.  The school will reopen again on Tuesday, January 3, 2023.

We would like to wish you and your family, a very Happy Holiday and a wonderful New Year too!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Chita, Ms. Taveras, and Ms. Rosa