

**December 2023**

Dear Parents,

 This month began, with our class starting a new study. Since the winter season is upon us and people generally get colds and become sick during this season, we thought that it would be a good idea to do a study on the Body. During this study we will be learning about different body parts and their function; the five senses; what we can do to have healthy bodies; as well as who helps us to keep our bodies healthy and strong.

 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 so that we can always reach you.**  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 8th, is School Spirit Day. If your child has an Ignacio Cruz School shirt, he/she can wear it to school that day.

 On Wednesday, December 13th, our class will be having a Family Winter Celebration from 10:00 – 11:00 am. You are cordially invited to come in and work with your child on a winter craft, share a snack, and sing a song. Please complete and return the Winter Celebration form if you plan to attend.

 Make up day for school pictures has been scheduled for Friday, Dec. 15th. This is for students who missed or did not have their picture taken or want to retake it again. Forms will be sent home.

 We will be having an “Ugly Sweater Day” on Monday, December 18th. Please have your child wear an ugly sweater to school.

 On Friday, December 22nd, our school will be having a Pajama Day, as well as early dismissal at 12:15pm.

 One additional reminder…Cruz School will be **CLOSED** from **December 25th until January 1st** for Winter Recess Break.  The school will reopen again on Tuesday, January 2, 2024.

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