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**WINFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL**  
**NEWSLETTER**

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Mrs. Alice Krihak      Superintendent

**JANUARY 2012**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The school year is flying by and soon 2011 will turn into 2012. It's hard to believe! Tomorrow, Friday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> will be an early dismissal (12:53 pm) as well as our last day for 2011. School will be closed next week and will reopen on Tuesday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>.

January also brings us to the end of the second marking period on the 27<sup>th</sup>. This marks the midway point of the school year and the course changes of Art and Music for all students. For the 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year, the Kindergarten - 4<sup>th</sup> grade students will have Art and the 5<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade move to Music.

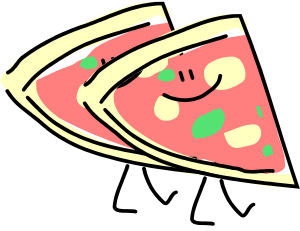
I would like to thank the entire Winfield community for their overwhelming support and praise for our young performers earlier this month at our *Holiday Concert*. The students loved performing to a packed enthusiastic audience.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone a safe and wonderful holiday season. Have a *Happy New Year* and may 2012 bring us peace, joy, happiness and health.

Sincerely,

Alice Krihak  
Superintendent





**SPECIAL THANK YOU** - On behalf of the faculty, staff and students we wish to thank the PTO in advance for the lovely holiday pizza party they are providing for the entire school on December 23rd. The children always look forward to the delicious pizza and it is a wonderful way to end the year.

**A GENTLE REMINDER:**

If you need to speak with your child's teacher, please call and make an appointment. Teachers are not always available when you are dropping off or picking up your children. It is easier for all if you schedule an appointment.

**KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE**

For the safety and welfare of our children, we are asking parents not to double-park and to use legal parking spaces on all sides of the school when they drop off or pick up their children.



**NEWS FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE**

Every year the New Jersey Dental Association hosts a "Give Kids a Smile" day. This coming year Friday, February 4, 2011 has been designated as "Give Kids a Smile" day. It is meant to



assure that even kids from low income families get good dental care. All information about this program can be found at the website [www.njda.org/gkas](http://www.njda.org/gkas) including the participation locations in our area. It is not just a brief screening, but may include oral hygiene instruction, screenings, cleanings, x-rays, fillings, extractions, fluoride treatments, stainless steel crowns and more. If you feel that you might fall into this category, please do not hesitate to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity for your child. Remember, GOOD DENTAL HEALTH is a very important part of GOOD GENERAL HEALTH. If you have any questions regarding this program, please do not hesitate to call me. Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and a

Happy, safe Holiday season!

**WARNING**

The New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services passed on a warning from the Food and Drug Administration concerning products that contain Benzocaine. Benzocaine is commonly found in products used to diminish gum and mouth pain, canker sores, etc. Although not frequent, it can cause a serious condition that can affect the oxygen carrying ability of blood, particularly in those under the age of two. A partial list of products that contain Benzocaine can be found at <http://www.fda.gov/Drugs/DrugSafety/ucm250029.htm>.

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**FAMILY OLYMPICS** – Thursday, February 2, 2012 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

