

**WALT DISNEY MAGNET SCHOOL**  
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To: Disney Parents  
From: Ms. Bandolik, AIC/Principal  
Re: Assorted Matters

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*School Resumes after Winter Break on Thursday, January 2, 2020*

We are sending our congratulations out to three of our wonderful teachers who have been nominated by fellow teachers for the Golden Apple Award. The teachers are Mr. Feinberg, 6<sup>th</sup> grade, Ms. Kosteci, 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning, and Ms. Mulhern, 5<sup>th</sup> grade. We are thrilled for them as it is a tremendous honor to be nominated.

**-Disney Toy Drive** – The Children and Teachers Foundation established by the Chicago Teachers Union is collecting toys for children across Chicago. Disney will be collecting toys at school on Thursday, December 19 only. If you want to participate, please send a new or gently used toy with your child on Thursday morning; toys will be collected by each pod. Last year Disney collected more toys than any other school in the city!

**-2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter** – The 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter will end **Thursday, January 30**. Report cards will be sent home with the students.

**-Pod 210 CAC** – Our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students will begin their 2-week CAC unit on Monday, January 6, 2020. The culminating activity will be the morning of **Friday, January 17**. If you are a parent of a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade student, mark your calendars and plan to attend what promised to be a wonderful happening! Please check with your child's teacher on volunteer needs through the 2-week unit. Please remember, all volunteers must be approved through the CPS on-line application process.

**-PTA-** The next General Meeting is **Tuesday, January 14**, at 7:45 a.m. PTA will be planning for spring activities; any parent interested in volunteering this spring is welcome to attend. Please join us! Movie Night is **Friday, January 17**, at 6:15 p.m. The feature will be "The Secret Life of Pets 2" come and join in the fun with a variety of concessions to purchase for a true movie experience. We send special appreciation to the many parents who volunteered to help with all of our fall activities; we extend best wishes for the holidays to all Disney families.

**-Local School Council** – The next LSC meeting is **Monday, January 6, 2020**, at 5:30 p.m. All parents are welcome. LSC elections will be held on **Wednesday, April 22**, from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Applications are now being accepted for anyone interested in running for Local School Council parent, community, ESP or teacher representative. Applications are being accepted until Thursday, March 5 at 3:00 p.m. Applications are also being accepted for anyone who would like to serve as an LSC election Judge; the deadline to apply to be an election Judge is Thursday, March 12. Applications are available in the main office.

**- Student Pictures** – We are expecting school pictures to arrive this week. If they are delivered to the school this week, we will send the packages home with the children. Picture Retake day will be scheduled sometime in February, as school-wide testing will be going on throughout the month of January, If you want to place a new order for your students to have an individual picture taken, you will be able to have a photo taken on the scheduled retake day. Order forms can be requested in the main office. We wish everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday. If you are travelling, speedy and safe journey. Enjoy this extra time with family and friends and we welcome students back on Monday!

**- School Non Attendance Days –Monday, December 23 – Wednesday, January 1, 2020 – Winter Break**

(Please note the calendar change, students return from Winter Break on Thursday, January 2, 2020)

**Monday, January 20 – Martin Luther King Day**

**Friday, January 31 – School Improvement Day**

**Monday, February 17 – Presidents Day Holiday**

**Monday, April 6 – Friday, April 10 – Spring Break**

We wish the entire Disney community a wonderful holiday; may you all be safe in your travels; we hope you have the time to build on family traditions and share wonderful experiences together.