

News from Lehi Elementary School

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CHRISTMAS SING

You are invited to our annual Lehi Elementary Christmas Sing to be held on Tuesday, December 18th. There will be two performances. We invite parents whose last names begin with A-L to come at 10:00 A.M. and parents whose names begin with M-Z please come at 2:00 P.M. The children are practicing already to make this a fun show for you and a chance to get in the holiday spirit.

INSIDE RECESSES

Many parents wonder about the school policy on inside recesses. It's been a great fall but conditions generally get more extreme in the winter months. As stated in the student handbook, students should arrive at school dressed for the weather conditions of the day. Students are expected to go outside for recesses except when weather conditions are extreme. In extreme conditions an inside recess is held. Extreme conditions mean temperatures below 20 degrees. For students with respiratory sensitivities, we also regularly check air quality to determine whether students should go outside for recess.

You are welcome to check the following websites to see for yourself the information we use to make our decisions. For temperature conditions we use the website www.weather.weatherbug.com/UT and type in the school zip code. To learn about air quality we check conditions at www.airquality.utah.gov/

In cases when we call an inside recess, children eat in the lunchroom and the recess aides return them to their teachers in their classrooms for a "recess" time. If you would like for your child to stay inside during lunch recess on other days due to illness, please send a note to the classroom teacher. Your child will be able to stay in the lunchroom during lunch recess where there is supervision. During grade level recess, your child is also able to stay in the classroom under the teacher's supervision.

In extreme conditions in the mornings before school, children may sit in the gym where it is warm until the bell rings. We move outside supervision to the gym on these days. When the bell rings, students walk through the halls to their classrooms.



THE MANY BENEFITS OF READING ALOUD WITH CHILDREN

* Children's **self-esteem** grows as they experience the security of having a parent or other caring person read aloud with them.

- Children experience **increased communication** with parents and other family members.
- Children are introduced to new concepts such as **colors, shapes, numbers, and alphabet**, in a fun, age appropriate way.
- Children build **listening skills, vocabulary, memory and language skills**.
- Children develop **imagination and creativity**.
- Children learn **information about the world** around them.
- Children develop **individual interests** in special subjects like dinosaurs, cats, or cars.
- Children learn positive behavior patterns and social values.
- Children learn positive attitudes towards themselves and others.

CHILDREN LEARN THE JOY OF READING!



Home of the Lions



We have collected a number of personal items that have been turned into our Lost and Found. If your child has lost something, you may want to have them check in the Lost and Found. Any unmarked and unclaimed items will be donated to charity after school on December 19th.



The **MISSION** of Lehi Elementary is learning at high levels for all students.

The **VISION** of Lehi Elementary is effective collaboration.

The **VALUES** at Lehi Elementary are L.I.O.N.S.
L = learning for ALL is our Primary Aim
I = Individual Students are our Main Focus
O = One Entity, We are United in Purpose
N = Non-negotiables in the Core Curriculum
S = Stay the Course in Implementing Best Practices

OUR CHILDREN
are our greatest blessings

DECEMBER CALENDAR

- 3rd: Band and Choir Concert for School 10am
 - 4th: Band and Choir Concert for Families 7pm
 - 11th: Choir to Perform at the Mall
 - 12th: Dads and Donuts for 2nd Grade
 - 18th: Christmas Sing for Parents
 - 19th: Classroom Parties in Afternoon
- Dec. 20th – Jan. 2nd: NO SCHOOL**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

“When we recall Christmas past, we usually find that the simplest things, not the great occasions, give off the greatest glow of happiness.”
Bob Hope

**Last day of school in 2012 is
 December 19th
 School Resumes in 2013 on
 January 3rd**



Enjoy a great holiday season with family and friends!

Visit our website at lehi.alpineschools.org

