



The Egret Express

James B. Edwards Elementary school's weekly Email newsletter

Dates to Remember

December 21-January 1: Holiday Winter Break-Schools Closed

January 14: Teacher Work Day (no students)

January 15: Professional Development Day (no students)

January 18: Martin Luther King Jr. Day(schools and offices closed)

A Note from Mrs. Mitchell

Dear Parents,

It is hard to believe that the holiday season is right around the corner! Have a safe and joyous season. We will certainly be busy when we return in January.

Our H1N1 Clinic was a huge success thanks to our army of volunteers! Our students that participated did a fantastic job.

We will complete Winter MAP testing when we return in January. Kindergarten, first, second, and third grades will have completed MAP testing prior to our break.

Happy Holidays,

Mrs. Mitchell

A Note from Mrs. DiCenzo

I wish everyone a happy holiday season. May you be blessed with family, friends and good health.

A. DiCenzo

traffic on Mathis Ferry Road, we strongly encourage you to turn right onto Von Kolnitz from the school and travel to Bowman Rd. This will alleviate some traffic congestion.

I am also seeking your help for improving the safety of the car rider line. Every day I am scared a child is going to get hit by crossing the car rider line into the parking lot. It is very dangerous for a parent to park in the lot and then walk up to pick up their child. I would like to see this practice come to an end. I know that for the most part everyone is very cautious crossing the street, but one day an accident may occur. To avoid potential harm, I ask everyone to please wait patiently in the car rider line instead of parking and walking up to pick up your child. We begin loading children into the car rider line at 2:40 and end about 2:55. Any kids left sitting are then walked up to the front office. There really is a lot of waiting period once the students are dismissed. Please understand we are striving to make the car rider line safe and efficient. Your help and patience is needed. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Andrew Simpson

Another Note From Mr. Simpson (AKA: Third Grade Teacher)

I would like to organize a book drive to help our classroom teachers build or improve their classroom library. If you are a parent who has books your children are not reading anymore, please let me know and I will pick them up for good home for them. Let me know when you plan to bring them to the school so I can make sure they are not out of date or in bad condition. Please be selective in your donations. If you know of others who have older children who may have outgrown their books, please let them know as well. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Andrew Simpson

Around Town

December 18: Middleton Place Grand Illumination. 6:30pm-8:30pm. For more information visit www.middletonplace.org

December 19-20: Winter Wonderland: Blackbeard's Cove. Play in real snow! For more information visit www.blackbeardscove.com

December 31: Festival of Lights Firework Display: James Island County Park. 9pm. For more information visit www.holidayfestivaloflights.com

December 31: Happy New Year Charleston: Marion Square. 4pm-10:30pm. This non-alcoholic

The state dance of South Carolina is the Shag!

The Black River Swamp Preserve is located near Andrews. This slow-moving river is characterized by high concentrations of organic carbon, which accounts for the tea-colored water and gives rise to the diverse habitats in its widespread floodplain.

Happy Holidays!!!