A Holiday Message

As the holidays approach and we look forward to the excitement of free time away from our hectic schedules, let us find time to reflect on the true meaning of this season. Joy. Love. and Heart felt Giving!

During these days take some time to talk to your children about the spirit of giving. Become involved with them in some form of sharing by inviting neighbors and friends, etc. who could use some holiday cheer. Remind them to “count their blessings”; a caring family, good health, and a comfortable home. Union School, Administration and Staff would like to extend to you and your family Very Warm Wishes for a Holiday Season filled with wonderful moments spent with those you love. We wish you Health, Love, and Prosperity for the 2013 year...

May it be calm, safe, happy, and you and your loved ones.

Thanksgiving Feast...

Our annual school wide Thanksgiving Feast took place on November 20th. The event was a memorable one, celebrated in the spirit of giving thanks for all our blessings. We came together as a community and shared a typical meal of turkey with all the trimmings...It was a sit down feast attended by all of our students and staff. We were pleased to welcome the parents who joined us on that day. We are indeed fortunate to be able to celebrate with our students, our faculty, our staff, our parents, our administration, our PTA and our Board of Trustees.

We are blessed and we will continue throughout the holiday season to celebrate our blessings and to remember the less fortunate through our deeds so that they too may partake in the joy that is CHRISTMAS!
TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

Friday, December 14th marked our annual Tree Lighting Ceremony. This school wide event was led by our elementary team. The students performed as parents and guests listened to a melody of holiday songs. It was a warm, fun-filled way to kick off the holidays.

A special thanks to Santa for taking time off of his busy schedule to spend some time with us at school.

Also a GIANT Thank you to Mr. and Mrs. Dany Abraham for their generous donation of our 20’ Christmas Tree and decorations.

Happy Holidays

Thanksgiving Baskets

We wish to thank our parent community as well as our students and staff who so generously donated food items for our traditional Thanksgiving Baskets. In keeping with our custom, we offered food to our custodial staff. The spirit of giving was evident at Union School on Tuesday, November 20, 2012. Our student volunteers worked energetically to help fill the many baskets that were offered.

Thank you
To all

Toy Drive

Elementary Students have unselfishly donated many gifts to be shared with Father Andrew, pastor at St. Jude’s Church located in lower Delmas, for the children of the parish. Monies collected from the movie night held last Friday was used to purchase additional gifts for St. Jude’s community. We are very proud of the younger members of our school community for giving and sharing with those in need.

From our children to the children of St. Jude’s Church, a very Merry Christmas and a safe holiday time.

“It’s not how much we give but how much love we put into giving.”
— Mother Teresa

“Holiday Toy Drive”
WORLD AIDS DAY

December 1, 2012 was World AIDS Day drawing attention to HIV/AIDS epidemic worldwide.

*Human Immunodeficiency Virus* (HIV) is a lot like other viruses, including those that cause the “flu” or the common cold. But this virus attacks our immune system killing the cells that help the body fight off infections.

*Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome* (AIDS) is the final stage of HIV. Now the persons immune system is badly damaged and puts them at risk for opportunistic infections (OIs), such as Pneumonia, tuberculosis, certain cancers and so many other infections.

We had a week planned with many activities.

Tuesday Dec. 4, a special presentation about HIV/AIDS was given by guest speaker Dr. Marie Marcelle Deschamps of the Centre Gheskio and an adolescent living with the disease. This presentation was held for students and staff from grades 6–12.

Wednesday Dec. 5, at the end of the day, we released 24 red balloons with messages of Hope and Support for all the victims and families afflicted by HIV/AIDS.

Thursday, Dec. 6, red frescos were offered to students at the end of the day.

Dear Students,

As 2012 hastens its pace, take the time to think about all the good things that have come your way. We share a common goal: ours at Union School is to continue to strive for excellence and be supportive of each other.

Look forward to 2013, and take with you our wishes for a holiday season full of joy and a new year full of happiness.

May you be safe and happy but most of all loved.

Sincerely,

The Administration

“It is Christmas in the heart that puts Christmas in the air.”

~ W. T. Ellis