# Middle School Matters

December 20, 2019

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| Monday 12/30<br>**NO SCHOOL** | Tuesday 12/31<br>**NO SCHOOL** | Wednesday 1/1<br>**NO SCHOOL** | Thursday 1/2<br>Day 5 | Friday 1/3<br>Day 6 |
| Monday 1/6<br>Day 1 | Tuesday 1/7<br>Day 2 | Wednesday 1/8<br>Day 3 | Thursday 1/9<br>Day 4 | Friday 1/10<br>Day 5 |

## Dates to Make Note of:

**Dec. 20** - A Christmas Carol Presentation – 7th Grade Students – Choral Room
**Dec. 20** - Early Dismissal/11AM
**Dec. 23-Jan. 1 - Winter Recess**
**Jan. 2 - Classes Resume!**
**Jan. 3** - World Languages Soccer Event - 6PM-9:30PM
**Jan. 7** - FACS Trip to Wegmans - 7:40AM-9:20AM
**Jan 9** - Winter Instrumental Concert - 6:30PM - GVMS Gym
**Jan. 10** - 8th Gr. Trip - Jewish Museum - 8:30AM-2pm
**Jan. 13** - Keystone Exams - 7:50AM-10:54AM
**Jan. 14 -** Keystone Exams - 7:50AM-10:54AM
**Jan. 14 -** Spelling Bee - 2:40PM - Library
**Jan. 15 - PATRIOT PRIDE**

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH!**

**Grade 6: Caitlin Bryner, Gayahtri Haridas, Isabella Parenti**

**Grade 7: Lauren Scalia, Eden Freeman Warren, Chaise Haas**

**Grade 8: Cameron Hiltebeitel, Morgan Burns, Sarah Neely**

### Awarding Teachers with Heart

Citadel recognizes teachers who go above and beyond. That is why we teamed up with the Chester County Intermediate Unit 19 years ago to create the Citadel Heart of Learning Award.

The Citadel Heart of Learning Award is a teaching excellence award for Chester County teachers. Each year 15 finalists and 3 overall winners are selected for their outstanding contribution to the community through teaching.

Students, parents, teachers, administrators, or anyone in the community can nominate a teacher at: CitadelHeartofLearning@CitadelBanking.com.

Nominations are open through December 31, 2019.

Citadel's Heart of Learning Award – a tribute to teachers

From our Family to Yours,

Wishing you al the best gifts of the holiday season....
Peace, Joy and Hope ♥

## Points of Interest

- **Summer Reading Book Donations:** If you would like to donate your Summer Reading Book, please give it to your ELA teacher or drop it in one of the collection boxes around the school. These books will be lent out to the students in need to use next summer. Thank you for all who have donated Summer Reading books so far!
- **Box Tops for Education has some BIG changes!** The traditional Box Tops to clip will be phased out, and digital box tops will replace them. You may still find some of those traditional Box Tops in your stores for a short while. For more information on Box Tops for Education, please visit: **https://www.boxtops4education.com/How%20To%20Earn** Thank you for continuing to support this program!
- **A Few Reminders From the Middle School:** If you will be absent or will be coming into school late, please email our attendance desk at **gvmsattendance@gvsd.org** by 9AM. If for any reason your child will be picked up early from school, please be sure to send a note with your student indicating the time of the departure so we can note our attendance records. An early dismissal email can be sent in to the attendance email as well. All notes should come to the main office upon entering school in the morning. Cell phones are not permitted in school during the school day; phones must be left in the student's locker. In addition, if you have a meeting during the school day with anyone in the building you **must** bring in a valid drivers license for admittance to the school building! If your student left something at home, we have a 'pick-up' table in front of the main office for those forgotten items. Students know to check the front table in between classes for their belongings. Thanks in advance.

**CALLING ALL SPELLERS!**

If you are interested in participating in the school Spelling Bee, it will be held immediately after school in the library on Tuesday, January 14th at 2:40PM.

Please see your Language Arts teacher or Mrs. Bedell in Room 207 for additional information.

***Bee anything and spell everything !***

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