



Russell Elementary School Newsletter December 2017

A note from Mrs. Hamilton

Dear Russell Families,

Many thanks to the Russell PTO and volunteers for organizing and making the Vendor Fair and Quarter Auction such a success! It was especially nice to see so many children helping to “run the quarters”, they made fast work of the raffles!

Our *Caring Kindergartners* had a very successful food and coat drive during the month of November. Thanks to their efforts our food pantry shelves have been restocked and many coats and other clothing items have been donated to Westfield families in need.

Stay in the loop with all the work being done as the Westfield Public Schools begins the transition to K-4, 5-6 and 7-8 schools by visiting the district website at www.schoolsofwestfield.org. You will find a link to the latest news on the home page. Another great way to keep up with happenings in the WPS is to follow their Facebook page.

Our Winter Concert is coming soon! The program is being held on Wednesday, December 20th and will include grades K – 3 as well as our 4th and 5th grade chorus and band. The concert will begin at 6:30PM and is held in the auditorium on the upper campus at the Westfield Technical Academy. We are looking forward to seeing many families on this special evening.

As always, thank you for all you do to help your child be ready and willing to learn. Don't hesitate to call the school at 642-7130 with any questions.

Wishing you and your loved ones a peaceful holiday season.

Mrs. Hamilton

Russell Student Council

Russell Elementary School has started a Student Council for 5th grade. This is an opportunity for students to take a leadership role and a proactive voice in our school happenings. One of their first projects has been planning our first School Wide Meeting of the year. The Council membership will rotate each trimester.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| | | | | 1 Band rehearsal |
| 4 Half Day for students | 5 School banking | 6 PTC meeting 7PM | 7 SEPAC Cozy Cocoa Night 6:30 @ WTA | 8 Report cards home Band rehearsal |
| 11 | 12 School banking | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 18 | 19 School banking | 20 Winter Concert 6:30 at WTA | 21 | 22 |

Holiday recess ~ December 25 – 29 School reopens on Jan. 2nd

ATTENTION PARENTS:

Please click on the link below to review the district proposal regarding alternative structured learning days (Blizzard Bags) and complete the survey that follows. We very much value your input. The survey will close on Friday, December 15. Thank you in advance for your time. You can find the link on www.schoolsofwestfield.org

[Alternative Structured Learning Days \(Blizzard Bags\) Parent Survey](#)