

FROM THE HEART

A Monthly Newsletter from University Preparatory Elementary School

December, 2008

Dear Families of the Ellen Thompson Campus,



This is the time of year when all our students are anxious and looking forward to the long winter break. However, we must remind them that we are just beginning a new trimester and that they all need to remain focused. They should start on their new interest projects or driving questions, continue to read every night, practice their math facts and write in a journal everyday. We are just 1/3rd of the way with this year and we have a long road ahead of us.

I know that this is also the perfect time of year to teach our children to care for others and to share with others. If it is giving a toy to Toys for Tots, dropping \$ 0.25 in the Salvation Army Bucket, having your children go through their old toys and find the gently used ones to donate to a homeless shelter for battered women and children, or sending a card to the men and women defending our country. There are endless ways to teach our students to be selfless, caring and giving members of their community. Let us all take advantage of this opportunity.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season.

Sincerely,



Chalita Middleton

We are still collecting Box Tops!



Congratulations to
Ms. Sangeorzan's Class for having
46 Box tops!!!



Punctual Pupils!!

These are students who have been in school everyday and
on time. **October 29th - November 26th**

Kyla Beal, Nakayla Butler, Andre'
Farmer, Andrea Garwood, Andria Garwood,
Howard Goodwin, Lydia Hall, Nicholas
Love, Jeremiah Smith, Jamahl Trice,
Brendon Wilkins, Johanna Deason,
Brooklyn Jackson, Tiyonna Lee, Briana
Thompson, Alezandria Rollins, Solei
Thomas, Airin Pearson, Taylor Rollins,
and Josiah Watson

It is hard to see our list has gotten so much shorter
since last month. I hope we are all working very hard

to get here on time and be here each and everyday.
Congrats to all of you that made it.



Michigan First Credit Union at UPA

The 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month
December 9th



THANK YOU!!!!

Mr. Hewitt, for opening the car doors for our students in the morning. We appreciate you reminding the parents that after 8:30 they need to sign their children into school.

Mrs. Sparks, Mrs. Jackson and Mrs. Harrison, for their commitment to Girl Scouts. Our girls do enjoy learning what it takes to be a leader.



UPREP Goes GREEN!!!

School wide paper recycling program

- **Bring in newspapers, magazines and cardboard to your child's class**
- **They earn a UPA Buck for each pound they bring in**



We are collecting Aluminum Cans for:

Habitat for Humanity

Send your child to school with aluminum cans to help raise money to build a home in our community.

December 15th-December 19th



Holiday Concert December 16th 6:00-7:00

UPAE Gym. Please come and support our UPA Choir.

They have been working really hard to prepare.



Reading Family Night

December 10th 5:30-7:00

- Book making with your child
- Book Fair with all proceeds to benefit our school
- How to choose a just right book with your children
- How to support your child at home with reading



Thank you to the following students (and their parents) for all the hard work in raising money for our school. These fundraisers allow us to continue to provide our students wonderful experiences.

Keturah Heath of Miss. Wishnow's class- sold 1846.85

Brianna Freeman of Miss. Standard's class- sold
1841.26

Both young ladies will have their limo ride and lunch on December
10th.



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Seasons Greetings

From the UPA Family!

