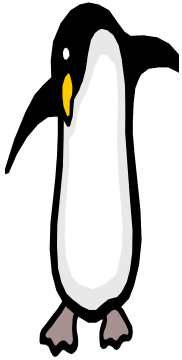


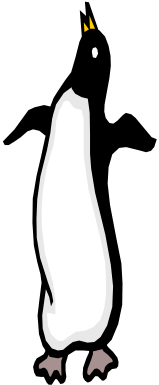


Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary
 Lac Sainte Claire Chronicle
 December, 2005
 Mrs. Anne Berglund, Principal

Our mission is to develop personal responsibility, strong academic skills,



Principally Speaking: Thanksgiving is a great time to spend with friends and family. I hope that you had the chance to enjoy the time with your children. Now, we can set our sites to the up coming Christmas Holidays. December will be an exciting month at Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary School, especially with the Santa Shop starting off the month. As Christmas approaches, the 5th grade classes will be preparing for their Musical on December 15th. I am sure that Mr. Materazzi has something exciting waiting for us all.



We would like to thank everyone for all the new toys that have been sent in for our Salvation Army toy collection. Your generosity continues to be overwhelming. You still have until Thursday, December the 15th to donate a toy. I am sure that the Salvation Army will appreciate your help at this special time of the year.

The Lottie M. Schmidt Elementary School Staff and I would like to take this time to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe New



Year. I have already received my gifts for Christmas; Wonderful Parents to work with, a Wonderful Staff, and Great Students. Who could ask for anything more?

Mrs. Berglund, Principal
 Meijer Community Rewards: Currently many of our families are participating in the Meijer Community Reward Program. Our school receives a percentile of money spent by families who use their Meijer Community Reward card. The money is undesignated so we can use it for supplies, assemblies, etc. Parents, friends, grandparents, or neighbors who wish to sign up can ask for an application at school, Meijers, or go to www.Meijer.com/rewards and register online. Please use our school code 299835 so that Lottie Elementary gets the credit. You will receive a card that you show to the cashier every time you make a purchase. There is **NO** cost to you for this program. Thank you for all your support.



Video Cameras at Lottie Schmidt Elemen-

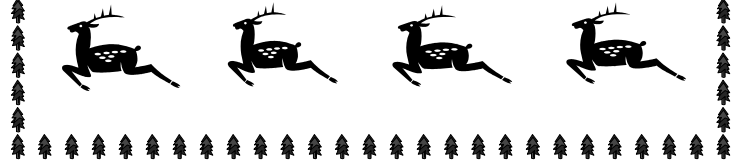


IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER IN DECEMBER

December 1st	SANTA SHOP 8:45 - 3:05AM All items under \$5.00 PIZZA with SANTA 5:00 - 8:00 PM At night, there is no price limit.
December 2nd	Progress Reports Sent Home
December 2nd	POPCORN & SUCKER Friday
December 12th	Market Day Pick-Up (5:00/6:00) Cafeteria
December 13th	T-Shirt Order Delivery
December 13th	Kindergarten Evening Musical @ 6:30 pm
December 15th	5th Grade Musical @ 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm
December 16th	POPCORN & SUCKER Friday
December 19th	5th Grade Field Trip to AB High School
December 20th	Rudolph's Magic Show at Lottie (1:00 pm)
December 21st	NO SCHOOL Christmas Recess Begins
January 3rd, 2006	SCHOOL RESUMES

LOTTIE SCHMIDT ELEMENTARY: 586.725.7541

TRANSPORTATION: 586.725.4220

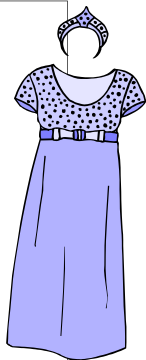


Give the Gift of Reading: The MacDonald Public Library is a drop-off site for the Detroit Free Press Gift of Reading Program. New or gently used children's books suitable for the 0-6 age group may be placed in the large gift wrapped box near the library's circulation desk from now until Dec. 9th. The books that work best are simple stories or picture books that would be right for the beginning reader. Please don't wrap the book. Your gift is tax deductible.

STORIES WITH SANTA @ Chesterfield Public Library on Saturday, December 10th at 11:00 am.

Children's Dental Health Heartfelt Project Form: An oral screening, dental cleaning and fluoride treatment will be provided to Macomb County children between the ages of 3 and 13, who do not have dental insurance or government assistance of any kind. Please stop by the main office for a form and remember, **registration deadline date is on 12-15-05**. This event is proudly presented by the Macomb District Dental Hygienists' Society. **To be held on Saturday, January 15th, 2006**.

Operation Cinderella: Anchor Bay High School is developing a program to resell used evening dresses for students who may want to save money on dresses for Prom or Homecoming. Anyone who would like to donate a dress can call the high school @ 648-2525 and ask for Fran Matlock (Ext. 7292) Jodi Quigley (Ext. 2304) or Sue Accivatti (Ext. 2306). Forms are available for tax deduction.



Mrs. VanHulle is pleased to announce that her PM Kindergarten class was approved for a \$150.00 grant through *The Target Corporation Family of Giving Programs*. The grant money will be used for a leap pad, reader system, books and software.

This grant was requested and processed by Madeline Walsh's grandmother and we want to give the Walsh family a big thank you for their thoughtfulness.



Mrs. Morgan's Tips for Success
December 2005

Children's Chores

Giving your children chores is a worthwhile gift! A gift, you say? That's right, giving your child a chance to be responsible and learn self-confidence is one of the most important gifts you will ever give your child. Children may complain about responsibilities, but in the long run they learn to be self-sufficient, the value of hard work and teamwork as well as self-confidence. The following is a list of chores by age level that the vast majority of children can be successful with.

Ages 3-5 (May need more supervision)

1. Pick up toys and books and put away
2. Dust table tops
3. Brush teeth
4. Feed Pet
5. Carry dishes to sink when done eating

Ages 6-8

1. Put away laundry stacks
2. Set table
3. Set clothes out for the next day
4. Make bed
5. Put dirty clothes in hamper
6. Set out backpack for next day

Ages 9-12

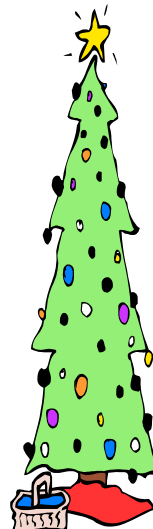
1. Clean bathroom
2. Do dishes on a regular basis
3. Organize school work and show to parent every night
4. Prepare simple meals
5. Operate washer and dryer
6. Vacuum
7. Rake leaves

Children do better when they have a schedule to follow, such as: do the dishes every Monday and Friday. Also, a list of their chores posted will make it easier for them to follow. This system will teach children that everyone in the house must contribute to a well run house. Depriving your children of chores will make them too dependent and immature.

Jane Morgan, School Psychologist

Who Do I Belong To?

Please make sure that coats, shoes, hats, backpacks, lunchboxes, gloves, and all school items are identified with your child's name. We have many items in our Lost & Found in the front hallway by the Main Office where students can check daily for lost items.



Anchor Bay Community Foundation Presents ***"THE SINGING CHRISTMAS TREE."*** A lasting tribute to the community funded by Velma Cullen MacDonald. A holiday concert featuring *The New Baltimore Interfaith Choir* and *The Anchor Bay Community Band* will be held on Sunday, December 18, 2005 at 3:00 pm at the Anchor Bay High School on County Line Road. **FREE ADMISSION** and a reception with Santa Claus is immediately following!