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Principal's Newsletter

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Dear Families,

Thank you for your participation in our recent Parent Teacher Conferences! The teachers enjoyed meeting with you and learning more about your child. Please be sure to contact your child's teacher with any questions, comments, or concerns that arise. We value our partnership with you and your support of your child's learning. We also understand that the weather posed a challenge to many of our families and we strongly encourage you to set up a follow up time to meet or speak with your child's teacher.

In order to support student ownership and autonomy of learning, teachers have been working with students to establish individual learning goals. These goals are formulated based on recent assessments to help students stay focused and on task when working independently. Students are supported by teachers to understand their goals and strategies and help them to monitor their achievements. Our youngest learners are learning how to be responsible for their own goals while our upper elementary students are working together to support their peers in applying their goals! Below are some sample goals.

- Kindergarten: I can sound out words by stretching out sounds.
- First Grade: I can add details to my writing by using labels and words.
- Second Grade: I can tell the story in order by using words such as when, then, and after.
- Third Grade: I can solve word problems by using visual representations.
- Fourth Grade: I can add more details in my retelling by including the main idea.
- Fifth Grade: I can show why characters did what they did by including their thinking and their responses to what happened.

Mark Your Calendars for our Upcoming Events

- **Friday, December 7th 6:00PM-8:00PM** PTA Ornament Painting Family Night
- **Tuesday, December 11th 8:15AM** Coffee with the Principal: Bullying vs. Conflict
Our Guidance Counselor, Mrs. Revello, will help us better understand the difference between bullying and conflict, how the school responds to each, and what parents can do to support their child.
- **Thursday, December 13th 6:30PM** We will have our third PTA Meeting **and** our Second Grade Showcase.
- **Thursday-Friday, December 20th and 21st** PTA Winter Boutique

In Partnership,

Megan McCauley
Principal