

December 17, 2014

Dear Walden Green Families:

I'm sorry more of you are not able to be here with us today to walk the halls and to visit the classrooms. It is such a pleasure to watch our students giddy with excitement as they scurry to finish last bits of work and participate in wintertime projects. The energy and excitement within this small community is palpable and contagious.

As we wrap up this first half of our school year, I want to reach out and thank each of you for your ongoing commitment to Walden Green and to allowing us to be such active participants in your family life and your children's academic success. As a community, we have so, so much to be proud of. I'm already looking forward to our return in the New Year and to collaborating with our families in the best interest of our students.

In closing, I want to wish you and yours a safe, happy and healthy break. I hope that each of you find yourselves surrounded by a great deal of laughter and love.

Sincerely,

Mark Neidlinger
Principal
Walden Green Montessori

Assemblies will happen tomorrow:

Please plan to join us for any and all of the following performances:

Band and orchestra – 11:15

Children's House through 3rd grade – 1:15

4th through 8th grade – 2:15

All performances will take place in the Common's area.

Our band and orchestra students will be selling coupon books for \$20 to help defray the cost of the program.

Traffic flow and parking:

I want to thank each of you for your increased vigilance with traffic flow with drop off and pick up procedures. The safety of our students is, of course, our top priority.

With tomorrow's performances you can plan on more congestion with traffic and with parking. Please plan to arrive early for parking. Should our lot be full, please refrain from double parking and instead plan to park on the street and walk to the main entrance of the school. Please be sure you are not parking in front of our neighbors' driveways.

Amazon Smile Project:

As we all tackle our shopping lists in the coming days, weeks and months, please remember that our students benefit financially from any purchase made through Walden Green when you enter our name on your order. Please follow the link below to learn more.

Enrollment Campaign:

Over the next few weeks, we will be finalizing our enrollment campaign for next fall. I will need the help of all families in spreading the word about all the great things that are happening here at Walden Green Montessori.

As you and your family are out and about this vacation break, please take every opportunity to let your friends know that we still do have openings for this current school year and that we are excited to share the good work we do every day with any family that might be interested in a tour.

Contact over the break:

While our students are away, we have scheduled some deep cleaning to take place at the school. We look forward to having everyone return in the New Year to a clean and tidy building that is ready, once again for teaching and learning. Should you need to reach Vickie or me over the break, please email us, as we will be checking in periodically over the break.

Important Dates:

Thursday, December 18th – Performances and our last day of school.

Monday, January 5th – School resumes.

Wednesday, January 13th – PIC meeting, date and location to be determined.

Monday, January 19th – Professional Development, no school for students

Thursday, January 22nd – Community Open House, please tell all your friends.

Monday, January 26th – Board meeting, 6:30 PM.

Friday, January 30th – WG fundraiser - guest bartender at Old Boys in Spring Lake.

More details later.