



Coronado Unified School District

Silver Strand Elementary School

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Dear Parents:

Greetings as we welcome in the month of December and happy holidays to all. We thank you for being an active part of your child's education and we appreciate you taking time to attend Parent/Teacher Conferences prior to the Thanksgiving holiday. We appreciate you celebrating successes from the first portion of this school year with your child and for continuing to work closely with his/her teacher to concentrate on areas of need as the school year progresses. We especially would like to encourage our students to continue daily independent reading as well as reading with a family member each day, along with time utilizing district sponsored individualized curricular software programs such as Compass Learning Odyssey (grades 2-5) and Ticket to Read (grades TK-1). Partnering together, we support our wonderful children to do their best as they learn, grow, and develop.

In addition, we would like to thank the *Matsiko World Orphan Choir* for their amazing performance last week. Staff and students alike thoroughly enjoyed the performance and we sincerely wish them the best with the tour and their future. We would also like to thank Duchi Galvez and the entire *Jr. Achievement* team for their support in helping Silver Strand and CUSD to reinstate a partnership with *Jr. Achievement*. A huge shout out is extended to teacher Karen Pierro for her coordination efforts in planning this opportunity for the students of Silver Strand. Finally, special thanks are extended to Mayor Richard Bailey, to Superintendent Karl Mueller, and to CUSD Board Member Julie Russell for their support with this day as well. An incredible day of learning and exploration were enjoyed by all Kindergarten through fifth grade students. We are excited for the renewed partnership that took place on Wednesday, November 29. The *Jr. Achievement* program supports students to become financially literate and to plan for their future. We are extremely blessed and grateful for this opportunity.

Coronado's Talent Show

This year's Coronado's Talent Show will take place on Thursday, February 8 at Coronado High School in their auditorium beginning at 6:30 p.m. Auditions for the show will take place this Sunday, December 10 from 12:00-4:00 p.m. and next Saturday, December 16 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Auditions will take place at the Coronado Training Center which is located at 126 B Street in Coronado. Additional information can be found at the Coronado's Talent Show website at coronadotalent.com. We encourage anyone interested to come out for auditions on either of the above listed dates.

Holiday Performances

Our TK and Kindergarten classes kicked off the holiday season with a special performance at Lowe's Coronado Bay Resort on Tuesday, November 28. They did a wonderful job and fun was had by all! We so appreciate Lowe's support of our students, families and school. Thank you to Mr. Clancy and his entire team! We also look forward to our choir performing at the Hotel Del Coronado on Wednesday, December 6 at 4:00 p.m. Please note a change from previous years regarding Silver Strand's holiday performance. Students from all classes will not be performing at this year's holiday performance. Instead, both the Silver Strand band and choir will entertain students and parents alike as they play their musical instruments and sing a variety of holiday songs on Wednesday, December 13 at 10:15 a.m. in Strand Hall. The possibility of an all school performance is being considered for the spring instead. All families are invited to attend our holiday performance.

Holiday Shop

Each year students are given the opportunity to shop for friends and family members during the annual Holiday Shop sponsored by our PTO. This year, shopping for students will take place in our school library during the week of December 11-15 (with the exception of our TK/K/1 students – see below). In addition to purchased

gifts, students will have their choice of crafts to design so that they can present loved ones with handcrafted items as well. Gift wrapping and name tags will be provided for all purchased gifts. For additional information related to gift purchasing please reference the letter that was sent home to all families via PTO.

Also, it is important to note that our PTO truly needs your support to make this day possible for our children. Please consider signing up to work a session during the day so that all children will have an opportunity to enjoy this wonderful experience. Please email our PTO at silverstrandpto@gmail.com or sign up via their Facebook page if you are interested in helping with this fun filled event. You can also sign up online via Sign Up Genius via the following link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c044cabab2aabfc1-holiday>

Classes will visit the Holiday Shop during “specials” times (except Preschool – after school – Dec. 12)

TK-K-1	Friday, December 8
Preschool	Tuesday, December 12
2 nd and 3 rd grades	Tuesday, December 12
4 th and 5 th grades	Thursday, December 14

Holiday Spirit Day

Silver Strand’s Student Council will be hosting their first spirit day on Friday, December 15. Students are encouraged to participate. Details related to this special day and the designated theme will be announced at Friday flagpole on December 8.

Holiday Canned Food Drive

At this year’s holiday canned food drive 263 pounds of food were collected. We thank all of those who contributed to this worthy cause.

Winter Break

All schools in the Coronado Unified School District will be closed for winter break as follows: December 18 through January 2. Students will return to school on Wednesday, January 3.

Wishing each of you and your families a very happy winter holiday season!

Sincerely,

Tammy Marble
Principal
Silver Strand Elementary & Preschool

