# PARP

You may have noticed the many changing colors on our school PARP display in the front hall of Palmer. The students are doing such a great job of reading every night and turning in their PARP slips!

It’s not too late to start turning in your PARP slips so we can tally your hours read! I would love to see everyone’s card a different color!

Last month, the students did an amazing job showing me just how caring they are as a whole class! The four students chosen as the month of November’s CARING winners were: Gavin Carulli, Belle Moore, Angel Cooper, and Samantha Vier. Congratulations!  
 Our Character Trait for the month of December is citizenship. Look for our December CITIZENSHIP winners in next month’s newsletter!

December

News!



# December Academics



December will be a busy month for our class, as we have both exciting Holiday Activities going on, as well as our usual academics!

We are just finishing Unit 4 in Math, and will be starting Unit 5 before the break. The Unit 5 Family Letter will come home this weekend.

We are switching back for Science and Social Studies so my class will be with me again during that time! I am looking forward to starting the brand new Science Unit of Terrestrial Ecosystems!

During Writer’s Workshop we are continuing to write personal essays. Right now the students are working on writing their thesis statements. Be sure to ask them what they are writing about!

The students seem to really be enjoying our new system for Daily 5, and I am as well! They are working very hard every day to complete the assignments on their individual cards. Keep up the good work guys!

# December = Citizenship

We will be having a classroom Holiday Party, as well as participating in a few other Holiday Activities as we get closer to our Holiday Break. I will be contacting our parent volunteers soon regarding the date and time of our classroom Holiday Party. Please know that more information will be coming soon regarding the Holiday Activities.

The students have asked that we carry on the tradition of making Holiday Ornaments for each other. Information regarding that activity will be sent home soon as well.

# Holiday Party/Activities

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**Trey Blasi 11-4-11**

#### November Excellence

#### Team Winners!



## Upcoming Events

**Mitten Tree Begins**

Wednesday, December 7th

**Winter Craft Workshop**

Thursday, December 8th, 3:30-4:30

**PDC ½ Day**

Friday, December 9th, 12:15 Dismissal

**Scholastic Book Orders Due**

Friday, December 9th

**Intermediate Concert**

Tuesday, December 13th, 2:15 and 6:30 PM

**Mitten Tree Ends**

Wednesday, December 14th

**5th Grade School Geography Bee**

Friday, December 16th, 2:40

**Holiday Break – No School**

Monday, December 26th – Monday, January 2nd

The December and Holiday Scholastic Book Orders are due early this month on the 9th. I am hoping that this early due date will ensure that our order arrives before our Holiday Break! Please be sure to send in your orders by Friday, December 9th, and they should arrive about ten days later!

**Josh Lovejoy 12-8-11**

**Cameron Weatherly 12-11-11**

## Reminders to Parents

#### December Birthdays!

# New Planners!

You may have noticed that the students are bringing home new pink planners for the next quarter of the school year. Every day the students are asked to write their assignments and reminders in their planners, and bring them home to check each night. That way they won’t forget homework assignments, important papers, and/or other reminders!

Look for planners coming home each night, filled out with the day’s assignments!

## Reminders to Students

* Wear comfortable clothes and sneakers for gym!
* Wear warm clothes to go outside for recess!

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