



# Hot off the Pratt Press!!



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## Pratt Holiday Spirit Days!

December 6<sup>th</sup> - **Holiday Sock Day**

December 13<sup>th</sup> - **Ugly Sweater or**

**Red & Green Day**

December 18<sup>th</sup> - **Grinch Day/**

**Green Day**

December 19<sup>th</sup> - **Pajama Day**

**(No slippers, please)**

December 20<sup>th</sup> - **Red & Green Day**

## Mitten Tree

This year at Pratt, we will once again be decorating our Christmas Tree with mittens, hats and gloves. We would like to ask for donations of new items to help decorate the tree.

The items will be available for any student who may need them before Christmas/Winter Break.

The rest will be donated to a local charity.

We thank you for your generosity & wish you a wonderful Holiday season!



## Holiday Gift Drive

Pratt Elementary is sponsoring a **Holiday Gift Drive** to help provide a happy holiday season for families in the Barker area who may find themselves facing some financial challenges during this joyous season.

Between

December 2<sup>nd</sup> and December 13<sup>th</sup>,

we will be collecting **unwrapped** gifts to put under the Christmas Tree in the Elementary foyer.

This year, the toys and gift cards will be used to provide a **Happy Holiday** for all of those in need.

Thank you for your support and a really **big thanks** for the overwhelming support we received for the recent Thanksgiving Food Drive!

### PTO Holiday Gift Shop

December 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>  
During School Hours  
**Evening hours**  
Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> 3 - 8 pm

### Pratt Holiday Gift Drive

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>  
New, unwrapped gifts,  
donated under the  
Christmas Tree

### Pratt Elementary Holiday Concert

Thursday, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>  
6:30pm  
H.S. Auditorium

### Light Up Barker!

December 14<sup>th</sup> 2019

### December 6<sup>th</sup> Holiday Sock Day!

**Wear your best Holiday themed socks!**

**December 13<sup>th</sup> Ugly Sweater/ Red & Green Day!**  
Wear your ugliest/funniest Holiday Sweater or the colors **Red & Green**

**December 18<sup>th</sup> Grinch/Green Day!**  
Wear your Grinchiest outfit or the color **Green!**










**December 19<sup>th</sup> Pajama Day!**  
Wear your coziest PJ's! **But please, no slippers!**

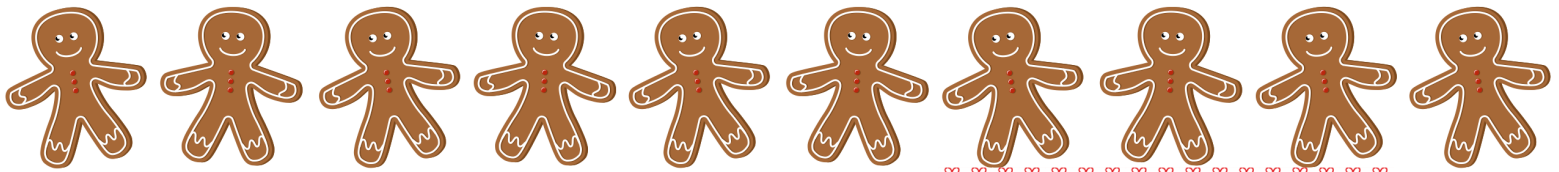
**December 20<sup>th</sup> Red/Green Day!**  
Wear your Holiday outfits or the colors **Red & Green!**

**Winter Break No School**  
December 23<sup>rd</sup> 2019 -  
January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2020



# December 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6  Holiday Sock Day!	7
<div style="border: 1px dashed green; padding: 5px;"> <b>Holiday Gift Shop</b> Open during school hours. Evening hours Thursday 3:00-8:00           </div>						
8	9	10	11	12  Elem. Holiday Concert 6:30 pm. H.S. Aud.	13 Ugly Sweater Day! 	14  <b>Light Up Barker</b> 3 - 8pm <b>Tree Lighting</b> 7:15pm
15	16 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 PM	17	18  <b>Grinch Day!</b> <u>WEAR GREEN</u>	19  Pajama Day! (No Slippers)	20  Holiday Color Day! Wear Red or Green or Both!	21
22    Winter!	23	24 	25 	26 	27	28
<div style="border: 2px solid green; padding: 10px;"> <h2>Winter/Holiday Break</h2> <h3>December 23, 2019 - January 3, 2020</h3> <h3>School Resumes January 6, 2020</h3> </div>						
29	30	31 	Jan. 1 	2	3	4



**YOUR CHILD CAN EARN A  
FREE MEDIUM PIZZA!**

All you need to do is participate in **Mark's Pizzeria** "Book-Mark's" program! It's easy! Help your child meet their reading goal each month. You can read to them or they can read to you. Keep track of your reading on the calendar or form that was sent home with your child. Parents need to sign the attached calendar/form before returning it to school each month by the assigned due date. As soon as we receive your child's coupon from Mark's Pizzeria we will send it home for you to redeem.

Happy Reading!!  
Sincerely, Pratt Teachers



Our collection of Lost & Found has grown considerably! We have had things brought in from the buses, playground & gym. Please take a moment to look at the lost and found items that are located in the Cafeteria on the bulletin board. If anything is yours, please take it with you.



**The Holiday Gift Shop  
is coming to town!**

The Barker PTO is once again sponsoring the **Holiday Gift Shop** at Pratt Elementary. Children will be able to Holiday shop for their family, and at the same time, learn about budgeting money. Although parents are not able to attend (children want to keep gifts a surprise!), we encourage parents to be involved at home in anticipation of the big shopping day! The shop will be held **December 2<sup>nd</sup> - December 6<sup>th</sup>** and will take place during school hours in the **Elementary computer lab. Evening hours December 5<sup>th</sup> 3 to 8 PM**

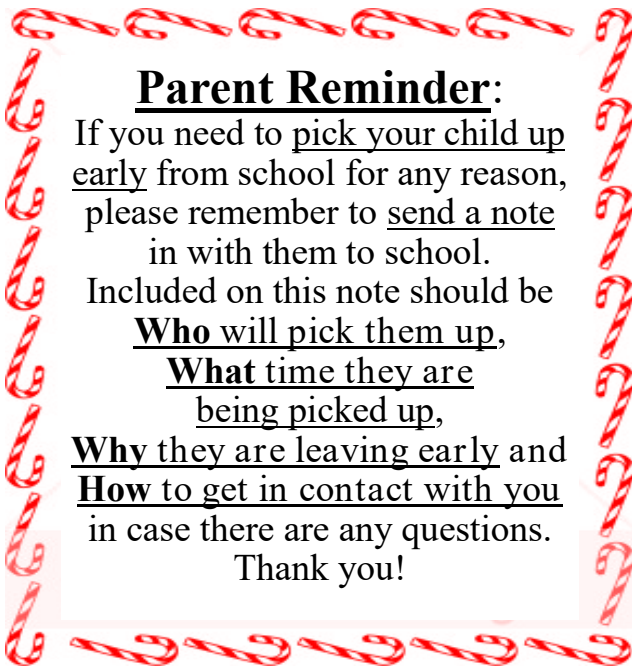


**Bus Note Reminder:**

When sending in **notes from home**, please remember to include your child's first and last name & your first and last name and phone number so there is no confusion. If it is a **bus change note**, please also include the name, address and telephone number of the **adult** at that address. If you are calling in a bus change, please call either the School at 795-3237 or the Bus Garage at 795-3816 by 12:00pm. Thank you!

**Parent Reminder:**

If you need to pick your child up early from school for any reason, please remember to send a note in with them to school. Included on this note should be Who will pick them up, What time they are being picked up, Why they are leaving early and How to get in contact with you in case there are any questions. Thank you!



# HARD WORKER of the Month

Pratt Elementary is on the look-out for **HARD WORKERS** each month to become part of an elite group of students who strive to use positive character traits every day. One student from each grade level will be selected by staff each month.

Those students selected will have demonstrated the designated monthly trait on a regular basis.

Each month's trait will begin with a letter from the phrase **HARD WORKER**.

November trait is **RELIABLE**.

A **RELIABLE** person is someone who you can trust to behave well, work hard, or do what you expect them to do.

**December will focus on the trait Dependable**

If someone is **DEPENDABLE**, you have confidence that person will work hard and be trustworthy. They are consistent in their performance or behavior !

**Honest** (September)

**Ambitious** (October)

**Reliable** (November)

**Dependable** (December)

**Witty** (January)

**Organized** (February)

**Respectful** (March)

**Kind** (April)

**Encouraging** (May)

**Responsible** (June)

The following students have been selected as November's group of

**HARD WORKERS**

with the trait

**RELIABLE**:

**Pre-K: Willa Sutch**

**Kindergarten: Ayvah Kropp**

**1st Grade: Hannah Monaco**

**2nd Grade: Jordan Spearin**

**3rd Grade: Mia Klopfer**

**4th Grade: Kian Lawson**

**5th Grade: Elina White**

**6th Grade: Jocelyn Schmitt**





“Willa Sutch is a **reliable** person. She can be trusted to do what is expected of her even when other children are making poor choices. Willa always remembers it is important for her to make her own choices and do the right thing. When Willa does her homework and classwork she always does her very best!” - Mrs. Podgers Pre-K

“Ayvah Kropp has been chosen as Kindergarten's student of the month. She is **reliable**, not only to her classmates but also to her teacher. She demonstrates many examples throughout the day in school. She is a well behaved student and also knows our classroom routine. She is reliable too, always being there for her classmates when they may need a little extra help. Congratulations Ayvah!” - Mrs. Weller Kindergarten

“Hannah Monaco is always setting a good example and shows SPARK behavior in and out of the classroom. She always strives to do her absolute best and she takes pride in the quality of her work. Hannah is eager to help other students in need and she is a **reliable** helper whenever she is called upon.” - Miss Hinton 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

“Jordan Spearin is one amazing student, and he has shown how **reliable** he is this year by being very conscientious! He always does his best work and sets a good example for his classmates. I know that I can count on Jordan everyday to give his full effort on every task, quickly follow directions, participate in all areas, work with all of his peers, and help anytime it is needed. I am so proud of Jordan!” - Mrs. Zablocki 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

“Mia Klopfer is a glowing example of a **reliable** student. She is someone who comes in and works hard every day. She is always aware of what is and needs to be going on in the classroom. She's a great "go to" girl. She also can be counted on to be responsible with her daily duties to her classwork and homework. Most of all, Mia is reliable from a social and behavioral perspective. She sets a great example for others and doesn't look to stand out in the group, she just does what is right.” - Mrs. Calandra 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

“Kian Lawson is our 4th grade hard worker for the month of November. Kian is very **reliable**. He enjoys helping others and is always trying to do his best. Kian is consistently helping in the elementary cafe at the end of lunch. He helps stack chairs and sweep up the floor. As a teacher, I know I can rely on Kian to follow directions and help others to do their best!” - Mrs. Evans 4th Grade

“Elina White exhibits all the traits of being a **reliable** student. She comes to school each day being a leader. We can count on Elina to be honest, trustworthy and reliable. Keep up the great work Elina, we are proud of you and the student you are becoming!” - 5th Grade Team

“Jocelyn Schmitt demonstrates the character word **reliable** on a daily basis. She balances doing well in school, participating in band, and being a new big sister at home! Jocelyn is always ready to lend a helping hand to a classmate, passing buddy sheets or running errands for her teachers, and is consistently there to say hello and give a smile when it's needed. Jocelyn is well liked by her peers and is a role model for our grade level. Congratulations on your hard work!” - Mr. Norris 6<sup>th</sup> Grade



Willa Sutch  
& Ayvah Kropp

Mr. Carter  
& Kian Lawson

Hannah Monaco &  
Jordan Spearin

Jocelyn Schmitt &  
Mrs. Thibault

Elina White  
& Mia Klopfer