

William Crawford Parent Bulletin
November 18, 2008

As we approach Thanksgiving, please take the time to appreciate the many blessings we all do have. Even in these tough times, we have much to be thankful for when we look around us. Please take time during the break to spend time together as a family, establishing traditions in your family that will create memories for your family. Maybe it is a dinner tradition. Maybe it is an activity that you do together. Maybe it is conversation in the family room.

- Conferences are this Thursday, the 20th, and next Monday, the 24th. Remember that there is a one-hour early release on both of those days. We want to meet with all of you. This is a great opportunity to ask how your child is doing. Do not hesitate to ask the teacher what they are doing to prepare your child for the state tests. Your support is really needed and appreciated. That is what makes Colonel Crawford so special. The parents and staff have a strong connection. That does not mean that we always agree. That means that we can communicate with each other.
- Grades came home and the Honor Roll will soon be in the paper. As you can see we all can improve. What I am noticing is that students are buckling down. The first nine weeks I see a lot of detentions for missing assignments. Those detentions are a lot less now.
- There will be no school on November 26, 27, 28 and December 1.
- There will be a two-hour delay on December 9 and February 11 for the purpose of staff development as we will be working on the writing process.
- Our winter sports seasons are well under way. Our swimming team is undefeated as they are now at the midpoint of their season. The basketball teams have held their scrimmages and are ready to begin their regular season right after Thanksgiving.
- Our Christmas programs are on the following dates: December 11 at 8:00 for our 6th grade band and choir and on December 15 at 8:00 for our 7th and 8th band and choir. Please note the time change. Both programs will be held in our cafetorium
- Christmas break will be from December 22, 2008-January 2, 2009. School will resume on Monday, January 5, 2009.
- We again have the Salvation Army Barrels in the building. You will hear more about this from your child. We have four barrels to fill. We are going to have fun doing it with motivational activities. I understand this is a very tough time for all. However, others still have it rough also. Whatever you can do to help support the Salvation Army by giving canned goods will be appreciated. CAN we do it? Yes we CAN.

Caring is always in season.