## **December Newsletter**



Hello Eastdale Families,

The month of December is here and in a few short weeks, the children will be enjoying the holiday break!

As the snow starts to fly, we are asking that Parents and Guardians take care when dropping off or picking up at school. **Please park and walk to the playground**. Hazelwood Drive, Kingswood Drive, Carpenter Ave, Eastdale Blvd are all side streets where people can park their car. It gets very congested on Lincoln Avenue when the buses are waiting. There are <u>no parking signs</u> posted across from the school on Lincoln Ave. so we are asking that drivers do not stop in their cars along this route.

As well, the parking lot is NOT a drive through. Children are crossing from the park at the one end and if they step off the sidewalk they could meet a car driving through. We are asking that safety comes first and that people do not use the staff parking lot to drop off children. Please slow down and obey the traffic rules. We don't want anyone hurt.

Also, we'd like to "thank" the adults that are wearing masks when they are on school property! It helps us to keep everyone safe.



We have had some new staff join us in the past month as well. Mrs. VanDuzen is filling in for Mrs. Waseem at the office as VP. We have Ms. Morgan and Ms. Bertulli join the DECE team in the Kindergarten wing. Mrs. Christiansen is filling in for Ms. Bass in the grade 6/7.

The food drive and warm clothing drive were a huge success! We donated 3500 pounds of food to the Stoney Creek food drive and we gave 5 bags of hats, mitts and scarves to local schools in the area! The Eastdale spirit of helping others is strong and vibrant this holiday season.





The week of December 13<sup>th</sup> there will be 5 rapid antigen tests send home with each child. Your child's participation in this rapid antigen testing is <u>voluntary</u> and students are not required to participate in order to return to the classroom after the winter break.

On behalf of the staff at Eastdale we would like to wish everyone a safe, healthy and fulfilling holiday season.

Looking forward to a wonderful 2022!

