



# Season's Greetings From the Panther Press

P.M. Wells Charter Academy

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### DECEMBER EVENTS

- **M.S. Winter Wonderland Dance 18th—6th-8th at 6PM**
- **Sac/PTO meeting on the 17th at 6PM**
- **SCHOOL CLOSED the 20th to Jan. 3rd (Office will be open from 8AM to 2PM)**
- **Classes resume on Jan. 4th**
- **Boys & Girls basketball sign up day Jan. 5th**
- **FCAT Parent Night**
  - 3rd-5th grades Jan. 12th 6PM
  - 6th-8th grades Jan. 14th 6PM



Are you looking for ways to complete your volunteer hours? Here are couple of places you can find them.

1. Your child's teacher help in centers, stuffing homework folders, party help, chaperone field trips, coordinating classroom parents, and even some take home work like cutting.
2. You can also earn hours by participating in PTO meetings and activities.
3. SAC committee meeting.
4. STRIVE events. Contact Ms. Flewellyn.

Dear PM Wells Parents,

This is a special time of year when family and friends come together to celebrate. We at PM Wells are most grateful for the opportunity to be a part of your child's education.

Winter break will begin on December 21 and the school will be closed until students return on January 4th. The closure is due to our attempt to save money during the break. We look forward to seeing you and your students for an outstanding 2010.

An after school tutoring program will begin in January and will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The program will focus on those students who did poorly on last year's FCAT, the benchmark tests and report cards. Teachers from our staff will be teaching the sessions. More information will be available in January.

## A NOTE FROM THE ENROLLMENT OFFICE

Parents if you have not done so already, over the holiday break have your child's immunization (shots) updated. Please turn in the updated forms to the front office when classes resume on January 4th.

We are seeing that students behavior has improved greatly since the beginning of the year. However, uniform issues, disruptions in class and some bullying requires us to assign detentions to students which are served on Wednesday afternoons from 3-4 PM. Parents of students who have detention are to make arrangements to pick up their students when detention is over at 4PM. If they are not picked up they will be put into after care and charged \$10 for the services. We are asking your help to inspire and support positive student behavior and if detention are given pick your student up on time.

A big THANK YOU to Ms. Flewellyn for all of her hard work in organizing and conducting the Winter Wonderland Dance for all the grades. It was a huge success and it could not have been done without her hard work with the 8th grade students who are raising

money to go to Washington D.C.

Finally I want to thank each of our families who send their students daily to PM Wells "Ready to Learn". The children have shown growth in their learning but there is a need for them to learn more. Working with you as parents I know we can accomplish our goal. Over the break help your child continue learning by setting time each day to read. Here is a link to the new winter packets website which give all grades practice work to do at home over the holidays. The site <http://www.dadeschools.net/winterbreak/>

On behalf of the entire staff at PM Wells I would like to wish each of you a Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy Kwanza, Happy Holidays, Feliz Navidad.  
John Bushey, Principal

After the winter break we will be contacting parents that have not provided their child's updated information. Please be advised this is a Florida health department State mandate that we have your child's updated information on

file. If you have any questions, please contact the enrollment department.