

Trending Now @ PGS

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IMPORTANT CONTACTS::

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From the Principal:

With the holidays approaching, as well as an entire 11 days off from school, you might be looking for some ways to keep your child busy. You know it's coming, so why not be prepared before "I'm bored" sets in. As teachers, you know our first recommendation, **READ**, but we don't expect any child to read all day. So, here are some of our favorite ideas for you to consider:

1. Bedroom Makeover: Let the kids decorate their own rooms for the holidays.
2. Slime and Goop: Sneak in some science with [Grinch Goop](#) or [Snowflake Slime](#). (Smaller kids may need supervision.)
3. A REAL Home Movie: Create a movie using Lego figures, dolls or themselves as the main characters. Don't forget the commercials!
4. Snow Painting: Water + Food Coloring + Plastic Squeeze Bottles = Snow Paint.
5. Feed the Birds: Make a few [holiday bird feeders](#) and hang them near a window. (Younger children may need some assistance.)
6. Make a fort: Set up a tent/fort inside the house, and let the kids use it as a special place for for games, reading and other quiet activities.
7. Holiday Memory Game: Put matching stickers on the bottom of Hershey's Kisses. (You get to eat the pair you match!)
8. Christmas Light Scavenger Lists: Let the kids write a list of items you could see around the neighborhood, then do an after-dark pajama drive. Things on your list might include giant snowmen, Santa in his sleigh, a nativity set, blue lights, an inflatable Mickey Mouse, a train, moving lights, and so on.
9. Volunteer: Encourage the kids to serve someone in the neighborhood, like shoveling snow for the widow next door.
10. Hot Chocolate Read-Alouds: Create a nightly reading ritual of sipping hot chocolate and listening to a book read out loud.

Whatever it is, make that list now before everyone gets "bored,"

- Mr. G

PGS Minute

December

- 10-18 Clothing Drive to benefit men at the Immaculate Conception Shelter
- 18 Board of Education Meeting at Avon High School 7:00PM
- 20 Grade 4 Winter Concert 7:00 PM
- 21 Town Meeting 9:00 Wear your Spiritwear. Mr. G. is challenging students to compete with each other to see what grade has the most school spirit by wearing their class colors. Winners will be announced next week
- 24-31 No School Winter Break



January, 2019

- 1 No School - Happy New Year!
- 2 Welcome Back to school!



Lost & Found! Please be sure to check the lost and found items in the back of the cafeteria if your child is missing: hats, mittens, scarfs, coats, boots ... also, an adult locket was found in the parking lot. If you believe this is yours, call the office to describe the item you are missing.

International Fair (formerly the Multicultural Fair) is looking for volunteers: Pine Grove School is planning our Annual Multicultural Family Fair to be held on **Friday, January 25th, 2019.**

The Multicultural Fair provides students an opportunity to learn about and experience the diverse cultures and countries represented by our school community. We would like to invite all interested families to participate in making this year's fair a success! Please click on [HERE](#) to volunteer.



Clothing Drive until December 18th

Doing a little holiday shopping this weekend? Consider purchasing some new socks and clothing to support the 4th grade winter clothing drive for the men at the Immaculate Shelter. We are collecting until Tuesday December 18th, just drop your donation in the bin outside the office! We are looking for socks, sweatshirts, long-sleeve shirts, and sweatpants. Any sizes up to 3x are much appreciated. Please help bring warmth to these men on the holidays. **Thank you for your support!**



Crayola ColoCycle Program All brands of Markers are being collected for a **recycling Project** - boxes are in grade level hallways to collect used markers. Check out the website @ <https://www.crayola.com/colorcycle.aspx>