

## Winter 2009-2010 Cullowhee Kids Newsletter

We hope your families had a meaningful Thanksgiving. Now, we head right into Christmas. I have listed some church and community activities your family may be interested in attending. As hectic as this month can be, please remember that Christ is the reason for the season.

### Cullowhee Kids December Activities:

1. Four and three-year-olds making gingerbread houses **Thursday, Dec. 10th.** Ms. Sandy's, Ms. Ellen's and Ms. Karen's classes will need to sign up to bring candies. **Each child will need to bring to school a foil covered 12" x 12" piece of sturdy cardboard ahead of time.** Please put your child's name on it.
2. Santa will visit Thursday, Dec. 17, 11:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will have refreshments, please come.
3. Classroom gift exchange. Please bring in a wrapped gender neutral gift, cost \$3-5.00 maximum, on Dec. 17.

### Cullowhee United Methodist Church Activities:

1. CUMC Chancel Choir Christmas Program, Sunday, Dec. 13, 11 a.m.
2. Children's Christmas program, "Sing With the Angels," will be Wednesday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m., in the sanctuary.
3. Christmas Eve service, 6 p.m.

### Kid Friendly Community Activities:

1. **Sylva Christmas Parade** **Saturday, Dec. 5, 3:30 p.m. Downtown.**
2. **Dillsboro Christmas Luminaries** **Dec. 4 & 5 and 11 & 12, 5-9 p.m.**
3. **The Jackson County Christmas Store** is beginning its 22<sup>nd</sup> year of providing gifts and clothing for local children. If you would like to help in the store, shop, or sponsor a child, please call Elaine White, 293-5785. The store will be open through Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>.
4. **Cookies and Cocoa With Santa** Saturdays, **Dec. 15 & 17, 8-10 a.m.** at the New Senior Center. For more information, call 631-8032.

### Giving Tree:

The ornaments on the small tree on the table in the lobby list needed items for the preschool. Please take one as often as you will and return it with the item. We are saving for new playground equipment and would also appreciate cash donations.

**Review of what to do in case of inclement weather:** During inclement weather, we will follow the Jackson County school announcements. This information is announced on WRGC radio as well as WLOS-TV. If public school is canceled, Cullowhee Kids is canceled. However, in the case of delayed schedule, preschool will start at 10 a.m. Also, you may check for school cancellations online at [www.wlos.com](http://www.wlos.com) or [www.citizen-times.com](http://www.citizen-times.com).

### Calendar of Themes

November 30 – Dec. 3.....Health/Hygiene, letter K  
December 7-10.....Christmas, letter L  
December 14-17.....Christmas  
December 10.....Gingerbread house decorating, 3's and 4's  
December 17.....Last Day of School before Christmas Break.  
**Santa will arrive at 11:15. We will have cookies and milk with Santa.  
There will be a sign up sheet for these items.**

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January 4-7.....Return to school, Winter Fun, Fours letter M  
January 11-14.....“God made us all.” Handicapped and ethnicity  
**January 18                      Holiday Martin Luther King’s Day No School**  
**January 19 No School, Public School Break.**

January 20-21 .....Polar Week, letter N  
January 25-28 .....Construction  
February 1-4.....Shadows/Groundhogs, letter O  
February 8-11.....Valentines, letter P  
February 11.....Valentines Party (Teacher’s will give details)  
February 15.....No School, President’s Day  
February 16-18 .....Royal Ball, Presidents, letter Q  
February 22-25.....Night, Mardi Gras (25<sup>th</sup>), letter R  
February 24.....Pajama Day (no snack, pancakes instead)