

# Union Elementary School

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## Dates to Remember

**December 25th - January 1st**  
**Christmas Vacation**  
**No School**

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**Tuesday, January 2nd**  
School resumes

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**Thursday, January 4th**  
4th Grade Skiing @ Snowbowl

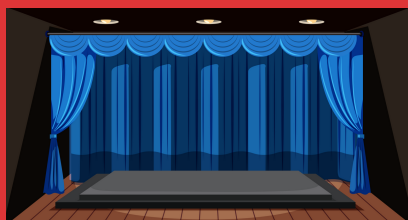
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**Wednesday, January 10th**  
Early Release Day  
Dismissal @ 1:15 p.m.

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**Thursday, January 11th**  
4th Grade Skiing @ Snowbowl

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**Monday, January 15th**  
**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**  
**No School**

## Help Wanted

Our stage curtain is ripped and needs mending. We are wondering if anyone out there might be able to help us troubleshoot this problem. A new stage curtain is very expensive and we want to try to fix what we can. Any ideas?



## Sickness is among us.....

We have had a lot of students the past two weeks who have been sent home due to a variety of illnesses. Please refer to the guidelines below when making decisions about whether or not to send your child to school.

### Guidelines For When To Keep Your Child Home

If you question whether your child is well enough to go to school, the following guidelines may be helpful:

1. Vomiting, diarrhea: A child with these conditions should be kept at home until symptoms have resolved for 12 hours and the child is able to keep down food and liquid. Consult your doctor if fever and stomach pains persist or your child appears dehydrated.
2. Cold, sore throat, cough: Children average six to eight colds per year. If cold and cough symptoms are associated with a fever or they do not readily improve, call your doctor. Your child may attend school if there is no fever.
3. Red eyes: When the white part of the eye appears red and produces a yellow or green crusty discharge, call your doctor during office hours. Your child may have conjunctivitis, a common condition that may be a contagious infection. Your child may need an eye ointment, and may attend school after 24 hours of treatment.
4. Fever: Your child may attend school with a temperature less than 100 degrees
5. Rash: A rash is usually a sign of a viral illness. It also may be a reaction to a medication or chemical. If your child has an unusual rash or it is associated with a fever, contact your doctor. Keep your child home until you have discussed the rash with your doctor. If a student attends school with any of the above symptoms, school personnel may call a parent/guardian and ask that the child be taken out of school. Parents/guardians are asked to furnish the school with the name, address, and telephone number of two persons the school may contact in an emergency if parents cannot be reached. After an illness, please do not request that your child remain indoors during recess periods, except for rare instances. When a child is well enough to come to school, he/she should be able to participate in all regular school activities, unless a physician's note restricts activity, such as physical education.

**Please call the office at 785-4330 by 10:00AM on the day of the absence to explain the reason for missing school.**

## Students recognized for positive behaviors!!

Our PBIS monthly theme for December is Compassion - I will be understanding and caring of others.

Congratulations to the following students for being recognized this week for our targeted positive behavior:

**Pre K - Lincoln Fickett & Cove Johnson**  
**Kindergarten - Brooke Wiemer & Steven Manning**  
**1st Grade - Alden Evangelos & Tegen Bernardo**  
**2nd Grade - Finnley Grierson & Levi Yenor**  
**3rd Grade - Hanah Thompson & Stefan Dudley**  
**4th Grade - Evelyn Evangelos & Ayva Dalfonso**  
**5th Grade - Hailey Robinson & Kallie Wyman**  
**6th Grade - Bailey Doucette & Jordan Elwell**

## Super Citizens



## Student Feature: Caitlyn Fuller

## Grade 2



**I like UES because** - I love Dawn's pizza and because people are really nice here.

**My favorite books include** - Franny K. Stein book series and Humphry series.

**I like to watch** - The Garfield Show and The Meg. The Meg is about a prehistoric humongous shark they tried to catch.

**My favorite singers and bands include** - Riptide by Vance Joy and I also like songs by Marshmellow and Khalid.

**My favorite foods include** - Pizza and hamburgers with cheese and ketchup. I also like french fries with salt and carrots.

**My hobbies include** - I like to collect mini figurines, read, and I love to sing when I'm around the house.

**When I grow up I want to be** - I would like to be an artist, singer, and a You-Tuber. I feel confident that I can make it as a You-Tuber.

**If I could live anywhere in the world I'd live in** - Tokyo, Japan. I visited the Disney Theme Park in Florida and I loved the buildings. They were beautiful. I also liked Florida with all it's palm trees, lizards, all the sun and the beach.



## Gingerbread Gala

The UES PTC invited the Gingerbread Man to the Gala on Friday, December 8th! This was a wonderful event which drew many families to school who enjoyed crafts, airbrush and face painting, reindeer food making, arcade basketball, putting green, cookie decorations and snowflake making. Students and families who participated in the Photo Booth took home a framed picture, along with a children's book *Queen Bee Finds a Home*, written by Bernadette Ruggeiro. "Bernie" came to Union all the way from Long Island, NY to attend and participate in this event. Families enjoyed popcorn, hot cocoa, pizza, water and veggies. All attendees were able to vote for their favorite Gingerbread house created by each classroom. Although all houses were delightfully and deliciously decorated, grade 3 received the most votes and won a free pizza party for their classroom. A special thank you to all members of the PTC who not only planned the event, but worked the stations to make this a special evening for our students and families.



# A Special Community Christmas Dinner

• **December 25**  
**11am - 2pm**

• **Masonic Lodge**  
**149 Sennebec Rd**

*May not have  
the means  
to have a  
big meal?  
Please come!*

*Have no  
family or friends  
to share  
christmas with?  
Please come!*

*Friends & Family far away?  
Don't want to cook on Christmas Day?*

*Celebrate with friendly people  
and holiday cheer.*

*Join us for a turkey dinner  
at a happy time of year.*

• *Christmas Carols 11am - noon*

• *Turkey Dinner Noon - 2pm*

*Elderly and  
do not want  
to cook a  
big meal  
for two?  
Please come!*

• *Christmas Cookie Station  
for those who love  
Christmas cookies*

**Please tell your friends & neighbors about this!**

**Call Linda Mountainland 207-701-1898  
to reserve pickup or delivery of meals**