

Falcon Families,

Happy December! It's the most wonderful time of the year! We hope that your family is staying healthy and warm and excited for the holidays. We have had a wonderful month of thanks and we are ready for the month of giving.

During the month of December, Elk Meadows will be collecting hats and gloves to donate to one of our Jordan District schools, Heartland Elementary. No one wants to go outside to recess without a hat and gloves. We would like to spread joy to another school by donating these items to those who might not have access. If your student would like to donate items, there will be a collection bin in the front office under the Christmas tree.

Our Golden Gate pledge for the month of December is: I will treat others and myself with kindness and respect. What a great focus for the month of December. In all of our classrooms we are going to do a school-wide project documenting how each one of us can light up the world with kindness. Each student will be getting a paper light bulb to fill out that will be displayed in our hallways. Each classroom will have an opportunity to walk through the school to see the many acts of kindness that we have performed! We are excited to come together as a school with this great focus!

We would like to thank our SCC and our PTA for coming together to volunteer to help in our parking lots. For the next two weeks, you will see parent volunteers helping our teachers assigned to outside pick-up and drop-off. We want to make sure as we head into the colder months our parking lots are running smoothly, and most importantly, that we are keeping students safe. Thank you for supporting our adult volunteers, our student safety patrol, and our teachers when they provide direction in our lots. If you would like to sign up to help volunteer, here is the link. [Parking Lot Sign Up Sheet](#)

We are disappointed that we can't invite parents into the building for our annual Christmas sing-a-long but we still want to ensure that students feel that holiday excitement here at school. On Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> we will have a school-wide pajama day. We will have a story collection from all of the special helpers in our school that can be viewed from the classroom. We will end the day with Christmas classic movies and treats. Please look for a note for your child's room parent if you would like to help make that day special by donating. Even though this year has looked different, our teachers have found great ways to continue the magic here at school!

Happy Holidays,  
Tiffany Smith