



Brookside
Elementary

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Brookside School News

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Dedicated to learning, guided by caring.

Dear Parents and Families of Brookside,

Christmas break, December 23 – January 1, will soon be here. It is hard for me to imagine that the end of our second term is coming soon. Teachers and students have been working hard. Thankfully we have had few illnesses so far. We at Brookside want to extend to you our best wishes as the holiday season approaches. Listed below is information we hope you find helpful.

SAFEUT

In the next couple of months, our counselor, Ms. Beckham, will teach 5th and 6th grade students about SAFEUT. The SafeUT Crisis Chat and Tip Line is a statewide service that provides real-time crisis intervention to youth through live chat and a confidential tip program – right from your smartphone. The mobile app, available for free on Apple and Android devices, allows students to confidentially submit tips to the staff at their school, or to connect immediately by voice or text with counselors at University of Utah Health Care. This service is also available to adults as well. More information can be found at <https://healthcare.utah.edu/uni/safe-ut/#>.

PTA Meeting and Volunteer Appreciation Brunch

The PTA will be hosting a Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on Tuesday, December 17th. Please come and join us as we celebrate all the wonderful parents who support their students and their teachers. The brunch will be part of the PTA meeting held that morning beginning at 10:00 am.

Lost and Found

If your child has lost a jacket, coat, or any other item, we ask you to look through the items on the Lost and Found table as soon as possible. The Lost and Found table is located in the hallway near the auditorium. All items that remain in the Lost and Found after January 9th will be given to charity. Thank you!

Temperature, Air Quality & Outside Activities

As the winter months are approaching, we will monitor the weather, temperature, air quality, and surface conditions each day to determine whether or not to have outside or inside activities at recesses and other times. We use the websites, www.purpleair.com and <https://www.weatherbug.com/weather-forecast/now/springville-ut-84663> for information regarding air quality, temperature, and weather conditions. We will work to follow temperature and air quality guidelines that allow students to benefit from outdoor exercise when appropriate and to provide indoor protection when outdoor activities are not recommended for all students. We encourage parents to inform the school if their child is part of the sensitive group or should have limited outdoor activity when outside temperatures are cooler or the air quality is of a poorer quality. Thank you!

Drop off/pick up zone procedures

Thank you for all you are doing to provide for the safety of students in our drop-off and pick up zones. We ask that if you have need to park your car, especially directly before school or after school, to please park in a parking stall and not in our drop off/pick up zone. Also, to avoid congestion, please pull as forward as possible when you are waiting to pick up you students. Thank you!

Music

Fourth, fifth, and sixth grade students will have the opportunity to play the recorder instrument in January during their music specialty class. A clean, disinfected recorder will be checked out to each student for use throughout the unit. However, if you would like to purchase a new recorder for your child to use and then take home at the end of the year, you may bring \$6.00 to the front office to buy one. Both new and used recorders will be given out to the students in January.

SEP Conferences

SEP Conferences for the second term will be held the week after we return from Christmas break on Thursday, January 9th. These will be student led conferences instead of the traditional parent/student/teacher conferences. Student led conferences provide students with the opportunity to share their knowledge and understanding by participating in learning activities with their parents. More information about that night will be coming in the January Newsletter.

Calendar of Events for December

Monday-Friday, December 16 -20	Christmas Spirit Week
Tuesday, December 17.....	PTA Meeting and Volunteer Brunch, 10:00 am
Wednesday, December 18	School Community Council Meeting, 11:45 am
Thursday, December 13.....	6th Grade Orchestra Concert, 6:00 pm
Wednesday, December 18.....	Kindergarten Christmas Program, 10:30 and 2:15
Monday, December 23-January 1.....	Christmas Break, School Resumes on January 2