



From the Principal's Desk...

Welcome back to school and welcome to 2012! I hope that you and your family had a wonderful Christmas break and were able to spend the time with family and friends. I am sure our students were a little disappointed that we didn't have a "White Christmas," but I am not complaining!

The end of December marked the end of the second quarter. Report cards will be distributed on Friday, 1/6. We ask that you sign and return these in a timely manner. I know that some teachers are still trying to collect the report cards which were distributed at parent-teacher conferences in October.

And speaking of parent-teacher conferences, we will conduct them again in February. These conferences will be primarily for parents of students who are receiving Tier II and/or Tier III reading and math services, along with those parents whose students we have some significant academic and/or behavioral concerns. You will be contacted by your child's teacher if we feel it is necessary to meet with you during the Winter Conferences.

I want to take this opportunity to thank our families and the entire Midland community for their overwhelming support of the Marshall County Toys for Tots program. At the elementary school alone, we collected five filled boxes of new toys for children and at the boys' basketball games on December 9th, we collected another 4 filled boxes. Many of the middle school students also donated toys as part of challenges among classmates and teammates. With your support, we were able to ensure that every family in our school district who asked for assistance this year received it. And for that, I am truly grateful. How fortunate we are to be living and working in such a kind, caring community. Thank you again for your donations and support.

It's a new year...a time to resolve to make positive changes in our lives. I will be taking this opportunity to make some positive changes in my life ...I hope that you will too! May 2012 be a healthy and happy year for you and your family!!

Julie Albers, Principal

