



**UPCOMING  
IMPORTANT DATES**

December 7:  
PTO Holiday Breakfast

December 10:  
2nd Grade Musical @ 6

December 13:  
All Pro Dads

December 17-18:  
Candy Cane Lane

December 20:  
Winter Break Begins

January 2:  
Students return from winter  
break

Dear Souders Families and Friends:

We filled the bus-2 buses in fact! One thing that draws people to Big Walnut is our strong sense of community. Nowhere is this more evident than we ask for people's generosity. We hoped to fill one bus with food donations from our district food drive. We actually filled 2. Thank you for your willingness to support our families and our community.

Mr. Cox



**Quote of the Week:**

“There will be times we simply don't understand what our kids are going through. But that doesn't mean we are unable to help them. Any attempt goes a long way.”

Kristen Welch in *Raising Grateful Kids in an Entitled World*.

We are excited to learn that we are the recipient of a Walmart Community Grant for \$3,000 toward our Kindergarten Learning Kits that incoming kindergartners receive in May. The Learning Kit contains number and letter flashcards, play-doh, pencils, a pad of paper, crayons, a rhyming activity and activity suggestions from the kindergarten teachers. Thanks to the Sunbury Community Library for providing the bags with a summer schedule of events for children and a bookmark. We are giving incoming kindergartners a head start with their learning and setting them up for success! A big thank you to Heidi Curtin for applying for the grant. Also a big thank you to Walmart!

Candy Cane Lane(Holiday Shop) will be here before you know it (December 17&18) please make sure you have your background check done if you plan to volunteer. If you're new to Souders it's where the kids get to shop for any or all family members including dogs and cats. Everything is \$2. I have over 5000 items so far.



Our HOLIDAY MEAL will be on **December 12th**.The menu reads as follows:  
Turkey and Dinner Roll, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Green Beans, Strawberries, and Jolly Frozen Fruit Treat!  
If parents go to the parent section of BW Food service it will NOT show this meal.

