



# Bear Express



The Official Newsletter for Summit Charter School

## CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

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Dear Summit Families and Friends,

Let it snow! Let it Snow! Let it snow! I hope everyone enjoyed the surprise, winter wonderland and stayed safe and warm! Thank you for being understanding, as we make tough decisions on school closings and delays. Despite the call we make, please use your best judgement for the road conditions in your area, and be safe if you choose to venture out. Please call the front office if you need to update your contact information or if you have any questions.

The Chamber has decided to cancel the Cashiers Christmas Parade this year. We would like to give a special thanks to Melanie Jones and her team for all their hard work on the float. Everything will be kept in storage and used for next year's parade.

We are asking for warm coats on behalf of the Rotary Club of Cashiers. They are hoping Summit can target elementary size jackets, which are gently worn or even new. Coats can be dropped off in the front office, and they are due Tuesday, December 19.

Please take a look through our Lost and Found Box. Anything left over the holidays will be donated.

Our goal is to stay focused academically, as we wind down and observe the holiday season. Here is a list of schedule changes due to the recent snow storm:

I-ready assessments will continue this week. Your student's teachers will let you know their schedule.

Thursday, 12/14/17: Box Tops are Due

Friday, 12/15/17: Free Dress for winner of Box Tops

Friday, 12/15/17: Kindergarten and 2nd Grade field trip to Eckerd Living Center in Highlands

Monday, 12/18/17: 5th Grade travels to the Biltmore House

Tuesday, 12/19/17: 1st Grade field trip to Eckerd Living Center in Highlands

Finally, I invite you to join us on Tuesday, December 19, for a special holiday roundup, in the courtyard beginning at 9:00. Our Middle School Chorus will make its debut, leading Christmas Carols for all to join in! There will also be plenty of interesting Christmas sweaters on campus that day. Remember, December 19 is a full day of school. Winter break starts December 20 and goes through January 2. School will resume on Wednesday, January 3.

Thank you for all you do,

*Danny Howell*

## SFA NEWS

After much consideration, this year's Christmas Parade, cancelled due to extreme weather conditions last weekend, will not be rescheduled. Rest assured we are already planning for the 44th Annual Cashiers Christmas Parade which will be bigger and better than ever! So mark your calendar for NEXT YEAR – noon on Saturday, December 8, 2018 – to celebrate with us.

A huge shout out goes to the following for all their hard work on the float:

Melanie Jones, Josh Crawford, Ginger Hicks, Dawn Ferrin, Stephen Doerter, Gaby Campos, Emma Kennedy, Yuliana Vargas, Jessica Ochoa Lopez, Jeremy Alison, and Robin Tanner

EVERY STUDENT WILL RECEIVE A TREAT BAG FROM THE DONATED CANDY AS WE DISMISS FOR WINTER BREAK NEXT TUESDAY!!

## 2017-2018 Basketball Schedule

\* All girls games begin at 4:30 and boys games at 5:30 unless otherwise noted\*

Thursday 12/14 RG @ Summit

Monday 12/18 Nantahala @ Summit

Thursday 1/4 Summit @ Blue Ridge (4:00)

Monday 1/8 Summit @ HCA (Webster Baptist Church)

Thursday 1/11 Highlands @ Summit

Tuesday 1/16 Summit @ SME (4:00 GIRLS ONLY)

Thursday 1/18 TFS @ Summit

Monday 1/22 Summit @ Rabun Gap

Thursday 1/25 Summit @ Nantahala

Monday 1/29 1st Round Semi-Finals

Wednesday 1/31 2nd Round Semi-Finals

Saturday 2/3 Tri-State Championship



Christmas Connection of Jackson County

Partnering with Parents to provide Christmas gifts for children in need.

WHO QUALIFIES: FAMILIES THAT QUALIFY FOR (BUT DO NOT HAVE TO RECEIVE) FOOD STAMPS

HOW TO GET GIFTS: FILL OUT A FORM AT THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, HEALTH DEPARTMENT OR SOUTHWESTERN CHILD DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION IN WEBSTER

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE CALL 828-586-5561



December 14: Box Tops Due

December 15: Free Dress Day for Box Top Winner

December 19: Holiday Roundup at 9:00, Ugly Christmas Sweaters & Free Dress Day

December 20-January 2: Winter Break

December 20-January 10: Boys & Girls Club Closed

January 3: School Resumes

January 11: Boys & Girls Club Resumes