

Dear Parents/Guardians,

November 18, 2009

The holiday season has begun and here at ECS, and our Holiday Marketplace will showcase many unique items from around the globe. In keeping with the mission of the school, the children will have the opportunity to pick from both environmentally friendly pieces and fair traded items. Please come to our monthly PCO meeting on Thursday, November 19th for a sneak preview of some of the items that will be for sale at the Marketplace.

The Marketplace will run from Monday, November 30th through Friday, December 11th. Student shopping will occur November 30th through December 4th and will follow this schedule:

- Monday, November 30th ----> Fourth Grade**
- Tuesday, December 1st ----> Third Grade**
- Wednesday, December 2nd ----> Second Grade**
- Thursday, December 3rd ----> First Grade**
- Friday, December 4th ----> Kindergarten**

Any student who misses their assigned day will be allowed to shop on Monday, December 7th.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHOPPING:

Attached to this paper is the Holiday Marketplace shopping list. The children may shop for as few or as many people as they would like. Since this is a unique holiday shop, next to each person they are shopping for, please include a specific dollar amount or range that you would like them to spend, (e.g., \$5 or \$5 - \$10), an age range if appropriate, and a name to put on the gift tag (see example below). Please keep in mind that most of the items in the shop are about \$5. Send the list back to school in a sealed envelope with your child's name and his/her teacher's name on the envelope, along with the total dollar amount enclosed. Please also indicate if you would like to have any change donated to Heifer International or if the change is to come back home.

For the Marketplace, we would like to showcase the talents of our students, so we are asking students in kindergarten and first grade to decorate mittens, and students in second through fourth grades to make and decorate snowflakes. **Please return the mittens/snowflakes by Tuesday, November 24th.** If you didn't receive these projects in your Wednesday folder or if you have any questions please contact Ayanna Ramsey at marketplace@ecspco.org.

ECS Holiday Marketplace Shopping List: **(EXAMPLE)**

Parent/Guardian: **__ Mom \$10** _____

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Sister: **__ Ayanna __ (\$5 - \$10)** _____

Brother: _____

Grandparent: **_ Grandma L \$ 10** _____

Grandparent: _____

Friend: _____

Other: **__ Aunt J (\$10 - \$20)** _____

Other: _____

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