MBE GIVES BACK

In the spirit of giving back this holiday season, Mountain Brook Elementary has risen to the occasion with two wonderful opportunities to help our community. Thank you to you and your families for your kindness and generosity. Wishing you and your families a blessed and joyous Holiday Season! - *Your Lancer PTO*

MBE Holiday Project - Making Wishes Come True

Dear MBE Families,

Your generosity is overwhelming! Once again you have opened your hearts to make so many Wishes Come True for our dear children in area foster homes. The donations exceeded all expectations, with a total of $10,739.30, which includes $250.00 to shop for each child, and a check for the remainder to the Salvation Army to purchase gifts for many more children. Our school was able to provide dream gifts, as well as necessities for 30 children who are unable to be with their families for the holidays.

Our team of shopping Moms was dedicated to helping our children learn about compassion, as well as budgeting and prioritizing wishes and needs. Our students, parents, and faculty responded with heartfelt sharing at the deepest level.

Thanks to our teachers, along with Mrs. Treadwell, Ms. Sevier, Adam Craiger and Betsy Keller, our school treasurer, every penny was counted.

On Monday, November 21, students were able to view the amazing display of gifts in our MBE Auditorium. Fox 6 News was also present for a live broadcast on their midday newscast to highlight the project and interview several students on how they raised money for their shopping trips. On

November 22, the entire 3rd grade was treated to a Pizza Party for their most generous donations to the Holiday Project.

With many, many thanks,

Your Holiday Project Committee,

Donna Nathan

Ashley Polk

Deana Shelfer

MBE, PTO and SCA - Spartans Helping Spartans Coat Drive

"The Strength of the Spartan is the warrior at his side."

In the days after the horrific tornadoes of April 27, 2011, Representatives of Mountain Brook City, Mountain Brook Chamber of Commerce, Mountain Brook City Schools, PTO, and Emmet O'Neal Library met to form a task force to react to the devastation. Around 150 students at Pleasant Grove Elementary and 59 students at Pleasant Grove Middle School lost their homes during the devastating tornadoes.

The Lancer PTO with the help of MBE Student Council is holding a coat drive for Pleasant Grove Elementary School and Pleasant Grove Middle School in partnership with the Mountain Brook Disaster Relief. Cherokee Bend Elementary School is also participating in this coat drive for the other half of the students who need winter coats.

If you would like to contribute to the coat drive for the Pleasant Grove Schools, please select a coat size from the coat rack in the foyer of MBE, or sign-up here on sign-up genius.

The coats will be collected in the library on November 28, or you may drop off in carpool that day.

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To sign up to donate a coat on-line, click on this link:
www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E4CAAAF2BA46-lancer/934261