

Red-tailed Hawks' Student Gift Exchange

Once again, this year the Red-tailed Hawk students have voted to do a "Secret Santa" style gift exchange. It will take place on Friday, December 16th This is a voluntary activity, so students only participate if they choose to do so. Please read the guidelines below and if you have any questions, feel free to email me.

*Gifts must be **homemade**, with a value of **approximately \$7**. (*Gifts that are not homemade will be taken out of the game and sent home with the person who brought it.*) Gifts may be brought in any day during the week of December 11th.

*Gifts should be **wrapped, but anonymous**. This is a "Secret Santa" style exchange, meaning the students will guess who brought in each gift. Gifts should be **GENDER NEUTRAL**, and not addressed to anyone in particular. It may go to a girl or boy.

Friday, December 15th is a half-day, with no aftercare. If your student will not be in on that day, but would still like to participate, they can still bring in a gift beforehand. When they return to school, they will receive a gift in exchange for the one they left.

*Some **suggestions/ideas of gifts to make** (or have been made in past years) include: Homemade toys, homemade games, crafts, puzzles, homemade journals, homemade snow globe, cocoa mix or candy.*

*Searches such as **DIY TOYS, DIY GAMES FOR KIDS, DIY GIFT IDEAS**, are a good place to start. Please remember that it is the thought that matters in gift giving. Encourage your child to put some time and energy to into preparing a gift with care.*

*Here are a few links to help you get started.**

- <https://www.growingajeweledrose.com/2012/12/homemade-toys-for-kids.html?m=1>
- <https://kidsactivitiesblog.com/969/101-diy-gifts-for-kids/>

Thank you,
Mrs. Amie and the Red-tailed Hawks

**Please note, we have several gluten and nut allergies in class. Please avoid these foods and provide a complete ingredient list with any edible gift.*