### Legacy Elementary Newsletter



Everybody Learns Every Day



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### Message from Our Principal



Henry Ford, founder of Ford Motor Company, had a vision of providing affordable cars to the American public. From 1908 to 1927 he sold more than 15 million "Model T's." He said, "Anybody can do anything that he imagines." But Henry Ford did more than imagine. He went to work finding a way to build cars inexpensively. The real genius of Ford's automobile production was his willingness to change the way cars were built, to try something new and different.

Students are asked to tackle new and different learning every day at school. Legacy's mission statement is "Everybody learns every day." Some learning comes easily, but lasting learning often comes from difficult tasks, and sometimes through mistakes or failures. Ford said, "Failure is simply the opportunity to begin again more intelligently." When students, parents, and teachers share this attitude, then children become more willing to tackle difficult assignments, seek help from others, and persevere with learning. This "growth mindset" is critical to helping young learners to be successful. Recognizing that failures teach one how to succeed requires feedback that is focused on success, and it requires that learners have more than one opportunity to get it right.

Students who develop a growth mindset will find success in a rapidly changing world where jobs and problems of the future are yet to be found. Ford wrote, "I cannot discover that anyone knows enough to say definitely what is and what is not possible." At Legacy we truly believe that "Everybody learns every day."

### Message from our PTA President

Dear Parents, Teachers and Students,

One of my favorite Christmas movies is "It's a Wonderful Life" with Jimmy Stewart. I remember as a child my parents forcing me to watch this movie and hating every minute of it. It was not until I was a head strong teenager I realized the great truths in this movie. We are all important and each of us impacts the lives of those we come in contact with. George Bailey felt his life had not meant much and that the world would have been better without him. George had the great gift of an angel showing him what would have happened had he never been born. It was not such a wonderful life. George was blessed. He did not have much materially but he had a family that loved him and that was enough. As we approach this holiday season I hope we take the time to stop with the hustle and bustle of getting ready for Santa to come and we really reflect on what is important in this life and that is our families. Let us spend a little more time this month loving our kids and enjoy the magic of this time of year with them. The magic will not be with them long and we will miss that magic when it is gone. Let us remember it really is A Wonderful Life.

Carrie Marrott



#### Calendar of Events

December:

9 Chorus Concert

15 Legacy Christmas Sing

19-Jan. 2- Christmas Break



January:

3-First Day Back to School

Legacy Elementary Chorus

Concert

Friday, December 9th at 6:30p.m.

American Fork High School



Auditorium



# The Annual Legacy Christmas Sing

Please join us on Thursday, December 15th at one of the following times:

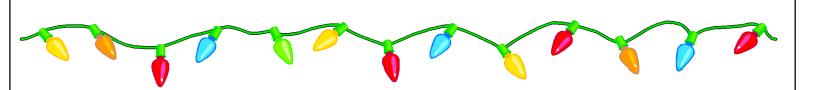
9:45a.m.-P.M. students and Morning Kindergarten/Preschool

1:00p.m.-A.M. students and Afternoon Kindergarten/Preschool



## Parents and Pastries

This Monday, December 5th for 4th Grade 2nd Grade will be Monday, January 9th Please meet your child at 9:20 in the gym/lunchroom.



Wishing everyone at Legacy Elementary a very happy and safe Holiday Season!!!

## Primary Children's Donation Drive

The Legacy Student Association is sponsoring a donation drive for Primary Children's Hospital. This is a no-pressure drive. Bring what you can if you want to participate. There is a box for donations in every classroom. We are accepting the following items:

Coloring Books

Colored Pencils

Crayons

Stickers

Glue

Hot Wheels

Lotions

Nail Polish

Bubbles

Barbie Dolls

Plastic Toy Dinosaurs

Hair Supplies (Barrettes, Headbands, Etc.)



PRIMARY CHILDREN'S
MEDICAL CENTER

Donations will be accepted until December 9th.