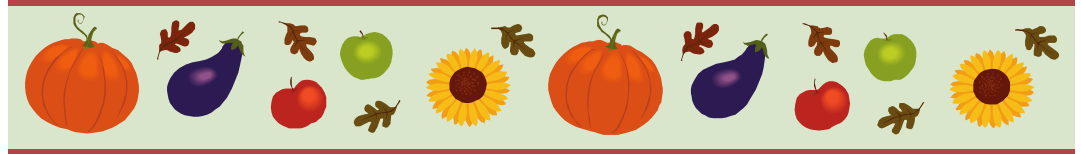


## THE HALDANE HERALD

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2012

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## Important Dates

NO SCHOOL	11/22-23
End of Trimester	11/30
Pizza Monday	12/3
Sweatshirt & Popcorn Day	12/7
Report Cards Go Home	12/11
Dazzling December Classes	12/11-13
Pizza Monday	12/17
Jean Day	12/21
NO SCHOOL—Winter Break	12/25-1/4

## THANKSGIVING

Teaching is a difficult job. It is impossible to “leave work at work” and simply cannot be done in 40 hours a week. These realities have never been lost on me and are as true today as when I joined this adventure 10 years ago.

This year, though, has been simply amazing. So far, I would even say it is the best year I have had in my tenure as a teacher.

Your students work SO hard and care SO much about how they do. Their desire to learn is amazing.

They are also such a well-behaved group of kids that I need to pinch myself periodically to make

sure I am not dreaming. My worst days are far better than the best days most teachers experience. It is almost unfair, to be honest, but you won't hear me complain. : )

So, as I count the many blessings I have—health, family, shelter, food, etc.—your children are high on my list. I get to do something I love with kids who bring additional joy to my days.

Thank you for raising them with a love for learning, respect for adults, and a strong work ethic. This is truly the hardest working class I have ever taught.

I am also grateful for you. I appreciate your sup-

port, encouragement, involvement, and passion for education. Nothing that happens in this classroom would be possible without you.

Finally, I want to let you know how thankful I am for this school. Paragon is an amazing place full of gifted and passionate staff members. There aren't many schools around that have what we have here. I hope you feel as embraced by the Panther family as I have by your families this year.

I hope your Thanksgiving brings rest, great times with your kids, and a reminder of all the blessings we all hold.

## SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- We collected over 120 cans for the food drive. The school collected over 4,000 cans total!
- Thank you to Mrs. Bergstrom and Mrs. Weirich for planning and managing the Harvest Party!
- We had 100% attendance at conferences!

