



**A note from
Mrs. Lederer
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We will be digging deeper into our latest unit of inquiry in January, under the PYP theme *Where We Are in Place and Time*. We will be inquiring into family roles and responsibilities. Here's what will be guiding our work:

Central Idea: People learn from families and friends.

Lines of Inquiry:

- roles and responsibilities in a family
- connections to other people

We will be discussing and brainstorming this week our definition of a family as well as generating any questions we may have about families.



As you get together with family and friends during the holiday break, could you please get one or two pictures that could become part of our classroom Unit of Inquiry bulletin board? These photos can be sent to school on Tuesday, January 10.



The children will be decorating gingerbread houses on Friday morning. Thank you for donating your Halloween candy as this will be recycled during this project!



We will have our **Kinder Skating Party**, weather permitting, on **Thursday, January 19**. We will be joined by our Preschool friends. We will head out to the rink **around 10:15** and then skate until **11:00**. We will warm up with some hot chocolate after our time on the ice.

The children will need the following:

- **Skates** – in a **heavy-duty** bag - no plastic bags please
- **A helmet**
- **Mitts**
- **Snowpants**

If your child doesn't know how to skate, please encourage them to give it a try. And if your family has some extra skates hanging around the house, please let me know as we could use a couple of spare pairs.

We could use **5 parent volunteers** who can help with tying skates. This many extra hands makes for more time on the ice! **Please email me** if you can hang out with us for an hour or so.



Wishing everyone a safe, healthy, and happy Christmas break. See you in the New Year!

