



January 2020

Theme: Kindness

Book: The Mitten Tree, by Candace Christiansen

Dear Students, Teachers and Parents,

As we begin a new year, have you thought about the goals that you would like to accomplish in 2020? We, at Harbor Hill, have been quite mindful in not only recognizing the importance of academics, but also the substantial benefits of social-emotional learning and development for each and every child.

It is with great excitement to announce to you that Harbor Hill School has joined the worldwide **Great Kindness Challenge!** We are quite honored that our school will be a part of such a great initiative. During the month-long challenge, our students will be encouraged to perform acts of kindness in school and at home. A calendar of ideas is attached so that you too can be a part of this amazing project.

Our “Book of the Month” for January will be **The Mitten Tree** by Candace Christiansen. Each classroom will receive one copy of this heartfelt story. For an extra treat, every student will have an opportunity to borrow their classroom copy and bring it home to enjoy for one night. It is our hope that this will give you a chance to read with your child and discuss the importance of being an integral part of our school community. Happy Reading!

We wish you a new year filled with love, happiness, and new memories with your loved ones. Thank you so much for your continuous support and encouragement.



☺ Mrs. Kemler and Mrs. Hazen