



Dear Parents/Caregivers,

For over a decade now, our “Mitten Tree” has always been a HUGE success thanks to all of the wonderful and giving families here at D.R.E.S.!!! As a school, we usually collect over 200 pairs of mittens/gloves every year and then donate them to Deep River Social Services. The “Mitten Tree” has been so successful that it has become an annual charity project here at D.R.E.S.

For those of you who are new to D.R.E.S., here is a little history about the project. Over ten years ago my third grade class was thinking about ways to help others during the holiday season. I read to them a story called **The Mitten Tree** by Candace Christiansen. In the story, a woman sees that a boy does not have mittens, so she knits him a pair and hangs them, anonymously, on a tree outside his house. The next morning, the boy finds the mittens and is very grateful to have warm hands. As a class, we decided that we could start our own “Mitten Tree” to help others.

HERE’S HOW YOU CAN HELP...

If you can, please send in a new pair of mittens or gloves (hats and scarves are needed, too!) for a boy, girl, or an adult, and hang them on our “**Mitten Tree**” which will be located outside the library. The collection will begin on November 15th. and end on December 15th.

On December 15th, we will donate the mittens, hats, scarves, and gloves that we collect to Deep River Social Services.

Here’s hoping that we can help warm lots and lots of hands this winter!
Thanks so much for your continued support!!

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