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Dear Newberry Families,

We would like to extend our most sincere wishes to you as we begin the holiday break. The months & weeks that lead up to the Winter Break are very fast-paced; we learn new classroom routines, meet new students and staff, and get to the business of teaching and learning. Upon return from the break, we hope that the rest and relaxation we experience helps us to recharge for the rigorous work that lies ahead in 2017.

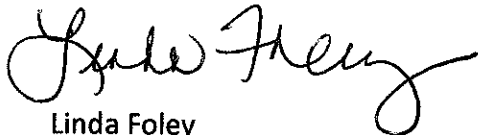
Our New Year's WIG (*Wildly Important Goal*) is to be more available to the parents and families of Newberry Math & Science Academy. We want to be mindful of the issues outside the school environment that impact our day to day teaching and learning. We want you to see us, the Newberry staff as a resource, committed to the best interests of your children.

When we return to school on January 9, 2017, we will begin plans for our first **Newberry Academy Unity Day** to be held on Inauguration Day, Friday January 20, 2017. At Newberry we believe that we are stronger when we celebrate and embrace our diversity. Toward that end, we will be asserting our commitment and compassion for all people through service. Mrs. Corbiere, Mr. Collins & I will be coordinating volunteer and donation opportunities from which classrooms may choose to participate.

Mr. Collins and I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hardest-working and most dedicated teaching and support staff in the City of Chicago. We are proud of our Newberry teachers and staff because they make this school a warm and nurturing environment. Their care for the children here and commitment to one another fills us with pride and guides us as we lead this fine school.

Whichever holiday your family celebrates; Christmas, Hanukkah, Ramadan, Kwanza, or the expression of celebration that is uniquely yours, we hope it is happy and healthy!

Sincerely,



Linda Foley



Edward Collins

**School resumes on Monday, January 9, 2017**