

Elm River Township School
Teacher Report: 1/21/20

I never knew what boom-whackers were until Mr. Greg started pulling them out of a box one day. It was really nice to have a new mode of playing music introduced to our kids. The kids picked it up quite well for having never seen them before. Plus, it was nice that they had to work in unison to perform each song since each student held tubes for different notes.

The boom-whackers helped to make the Christmas Program a great success. I'll bet most of the audience hadn't seen or heard of them before. The kids were a little nervous doing something different, but they did a great job. I want to thank Mr. Greg for sharing his experience by introducing the boom-whackers to our kids.

In addition, I want to thank everyone who helped to sell raffle tickets or who donated raffle gifts. Likewise, I want to thank Ms. Krissy and Mr. Greg for use of their personal Christmas decorations to spruce up the school. The last day of school before Christmas break, we also went to thank the local businesses that support us throughout the year. Thank you Krupps, Omers, Penegors, Four Seasons, and Park View for all you do!

Last Friday was also the end of the Second Marking Period. So far the kids are all doing pretty well academically and behaviorally. Having the school store has been a motivator for better behavior choices. Can't believe how fast the year is flying by!

I'd also like to give you an update on my personal health. The last week of December, I had two CT scans with results showing that I remain cancer free. Nice to get positive feedback after the reoccurrence in 2018.

Thank you,

Bruce R. Matson