

# December

Today is "A" Day

Happy Holidays



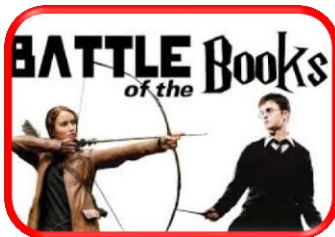
**Mohamad Almohsini quoted Jesse Jackson as saying:**

**"Never look down on anyone, unless you are helping them to get up!"**

**Now that is something that we should never forget!**

## School is out for 2016

The day we've been waiting for is here! Today, Friday, Dec. 23 is the last day of school in 2016! We will soon be celebrating the joyful holidays, watch another year goes by, and welcome a new year. Best wishes to all and hope that your holidays will be full of joy and happiness. Let us have a good day!

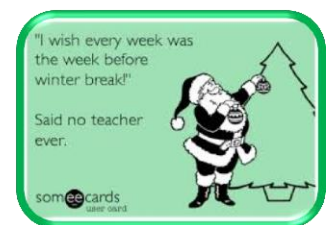


## Battle of the Books Return Deadline: Today

Attention Battle of the Books Participants: Today, Friday, Dec. 23 is the deadline to return your current book and get your new title before we leave for the Winter Break. Failure to return your books on time may lead to disqualification from the competition. Please see Mrs. Acker in the Media Center. Happy reading, and have a wonderful break!

## Winter Break: Dec. 26, 2016 – January 06, 2017

Winter Break is approaching fast. Students and staff will leave school by the end of the day, on Friday, Dec. 23, 2016 and come back to school on Monday, January, 09, 2017. It is a well-deserved break and hope it will be a time for reflection, joy, and peace. Happy Holidays to all of you.



## Math League Registration Deadline: Jan. 20

Our Math League 2016-2017 contest will be held on either Feb. 21, or Feb. 28, 2017. The registration deadline is on Friday, Feb. 17, 2017. Stout results last year were not bad, but we can still do better. Top scorers will get a Math League T-shirts along with Certificates of Merit, and other prizes, while all participants will get Certificates of participation and a Pizza Lunch.

**Let your teacher know if you want to participate, or contact Mr. Sabra.**

**Make sure you visit the school's blog to download samples of the questions and practice them.**



**GeoBee Registration Deadline: Jan. 20**

GEOBEE contest will be held in the last week of January 2017. Certificates of Merits and a Pizza Lunch will be provided to the top scorers of each grade. The top prizes in the National Championship are \$50,000, \$25,000 and \$10,000 scholarships plus seven \$500 cash prizes.

*Let your teacher know if you want to participate, or contact Mr. Sabra.*

Last year was a good start for Stout. Let us make this year better. Please keep these dates in mind!

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| Jan. 20, 2017      | Deadline for Registration   |
| Jan. 23 – 27, 2017 | Stout School Bees   |
| Feb. 6, 2017       | Deadline for completion of state bee qualifying tests.                              |
| Mar. 31, 2017      | State Bees  |
| May 15-17, 2017    | National Championship at National Geographic Society Headquarters, Washington, D.C. |
| May 19, 2017       | National Geographic Channel & Nat Geo WILD broadcast championship at 8 p.m. EDT     |