

Sparky® Says: Stay Safe and Warm This Winter



Dear Teacher,

It's winter! The days are shorter, the outside temperature is colder, and in some places it's cold, icy, and snowy. No matter where you live, winter brings a change in season and a time for **families to think about home-heating safety.**

Did you know that **home-heating equipment causes more than 60,000 home fires and hundreds of deaths** each year? By taking a few simple precautions, most heating-related fires can be prevented.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) has developed **safety tips especially for families.** This easy-to-use resource sheet includes fire prevention tips and a fun family activity.

You will find a copy of the PDF on the website for home use. Please distribute one to each of your students and help us keep families safe and warm this winter.

Thank you for your support during this winter season.

Sincerely,



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Help Keep Families Safe and Warm.

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