# **F.E.S. Family Connections**

November 30<sup>th</sup>-December 4th

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Monday, November 30th	Thursday, December 3rd
<ul> <li>Kindness, Respect, Diversity Week</li> <li>Toy Drive &amp; Food Drive begin</li> <li>Grade 1 Open Gym</li> <li>Gr. 4/5 Mini Basketball</li> <li>Drama at 12:15</li> <li>Kings Way Care Centre senior visit – Movement with 2 Blanchard &amp; 2 O'Brien</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Grade 3 Rubber Chicken Basketball</li> <li>Skating (3 Martell, 3 Culligan, 2 Urquhart, 1 Russell, 1 McNeill, 3 Creamer, 3 Shillington)</li> <li>Santa's Workshop class visits</li> <li>Online ordering system for Food Period #4 closes at midnight</li> </ul>
Tuesday, December 1st	Friday, December 4 <sup>th</sup>
<ul> <li>Grade 2 Morning Open Gym</li> <li>Upper Elementary Choir</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Santa's Workshop class visits</li> <li>Grade 5 Open Gym</li> <li>Grade 1 Activity Stations (1K &amp; 1D)</li> <li>Grade 2 Choir</li> <li>Stop &amp; Shop 4pm-7pm (gymnasium)</li> </ul>
Wednesday, December 2nd	Upcoming Dates:
<ul> <li>Drama at 12:15</li> <li>Grade 2 Activity Stations (2W &amp; 2U)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dec. 5- Stop and Shop</li> <li>Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>- Choir Concert at</li> <li>Dec. 14th- Christmas concert 1-5 8:30 (for parents whose children's surname starts with the letters A-M)</li> <li>Dec. 15th- Christmas concert 1-5 8:30 (for parents whose children's surname starts with the letters N-Z)</li> <li>Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>-last day for healthy lunch before Chrismas</li> <li>Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>- Kindergarten concert at 12:30</li> <li>Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>-Christmas Lip Sync and last day before Christmas break</li> </ul>

#### Information Items:

-The annual **Santa Claus Parade** will take place tomorrow evening starting at 6pm. Please come out and cheer on the FES float!!

-We are ecstatic to share that we received a donation of \$7000 as part of **Kings Valley Church's Love Week**. We will use this generous donation to help with two ongoing initiatives- the purchase of iPads and Spark Brain Bikes. When we return in January we will have a stationary bike in each classroom (music room, sensory room, and school

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interventionist's room included!) and will have 40+ iPads available to help meet curricular outcomes!

- The **online ordering system for Food Period #4** opens today at 5pm. Please visit <u>http://www.fairvalehands.ca/healthylunch</u> before the end of the day, next Thursday, Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> to place your child's healthy lunch order for the next five weeks.

-FES is doing our part for the less fortunate in our community during this holiday season. Our **annual Food Drive** for the **KV Food Bank** will take run from <u>Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup></u> <u>to Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup></u>. Please encourage your children to bring in nonperishable food items and toiletries. Our **Toy Drive**, in conjunction with the **KV Fire Department's initiative**, will start on Monday and will continue until <u>Friday, December</u> <u>11<sup>th</sup></u>. Please donate new and gently used toys. These initiatives supports our goal of moving from **ME to WE** and helping the larger community.

-Our second annual "**Santa's Workshop**" will take place on Thursday and Friday with each class visiting for 20-30 minutes. This event provides students the opportunity to purchase inexpensive gifts for their loved ones this holiday season. Prices range from \$1 to \$8 per item with the majority of items under \$4. The children will leave this event feeling as proud as punch to have purchased unique gifts for the special people in their lives. More information will be coming home from the Home and School early next week. Please email me at <u>Bonnie.Hierlihy@nbed.nb.ca</u> if you require financial support for this event.

- We look forward to our first annual Home and School sponsored, **Stop and Shop** this weekend. It will take place **Friday evening**, **Dec. 4 from 4-7 and Saturday**, **Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> from 11-2.** Please drop by and do your holiday season shopping. 59 vendors selling jewelry, leggings, dog treats, hair care products, knit and crocheted goods, beauty products, baked goods, crafts, house hold items and many more are confirmed.

-We are in need of a **Zumba** instructor to facilitate a lunch club every second week. Unfortunately, our previous instructor is no longer able to continue because of family commitments.

-Please find attached our curriculum focused **December newsletter**.

- Our weekly **Family Connections** are also posted on our school website under the **Synrevoice** tab.

--Please follow our school on Twitter @FairvaleFalcons.