



# DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

## School News

### Dates of Interest

Dec 3- November Recognition Ceremony-11:15 am

Dec. 5- PSSC Meeting – 6:00 pm

#### Dec 7- Last Day of BOKS

Dec. 8- Skating- King's Arrow Arena- 9:15-10:15

Dec. 15th- Rehearse Christmas Play at Lion's Club at 9:00 am/ turkey dinner at school 11:30 am/ Santa visit in afternoon

Dec 16th- Christmas Play at Burton Lion's Club at 10:15 am

Dec. 22nd- Skating- King's Arrow Arena/ Recognition Ceremony at 11:15am

Dec 23th- last day of classes

### BOKS

Our BOKS program will be ending Wednesday, Dec 7<sup>th</sup>. A huge thank you goes to the volunteers who ran this event the last few months.

### Pink Eye

We have had confirmed cases of pink eye in our building. Please observe your child as this can be contagious.

### Student Recognition



Congratulations to the following students who were recognized during our November assembly for their "bucket filling" behaviour:

Kindergarten: Madysen Branch

Grade 1: Sully Holland

Grade 2: Ryan Thistle

Phys Ed: Alyssa St-Hilaire, Evan Layton, Quinn AuCoin

Principal's Choice: Joseph Persico

For December's assembly we will be having cluster presentations. The assembly will be held on Thursday, December 22nd at 11:15 am in the gym.

Our theme for January will be common sense.

### Hot Lunch

Please note that we will be having hot lunch until December 14<sup>th</sup>. **There will be no hot lunch the last week of school.** It will resume again on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you to Melissa Ashburne and Veronique Fournier who have been counting hot lunch monies on Fridays. Also to Mrs. Bonnell, Mrs. Mason and Mrs. Fournier who have also assisted in our hot lunch program. If you would like to assist with hot lunch, please let us know. It is because of these people volunteer efforts that we have a hot lunch program!

## Turkey Dinner

On Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be serving a turkey lunch for the children. The school will provide all items except potatoes. We are asking each student **to bring in one peeled potato** that morning. Parent volunteers will collect the potatoes first thing in the morning to cook. They will also be preparing all other items for the meal that morning. We hope to start serving lunch around 11:30 pm.



## Santa Visit

We have arranged for Santa to visit the school around 1:00 pm on Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>. He will visit the children in the library and each will receive a candy cane. **We also request that parents bring in a wrapped book with their child's name on it from Santa. You may wish to send it in a bag in your child's book-bag, bring it to your child's teacher or drop it off at the office.** We are hoping to be able to take pictures of your child with Santa and prints will be sent home.



## Christmas Concert

Our annual Christmas concert will be held at the Burton Lion's Club at 10:15 am on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. The Lion's Club will be providing hotdogs and milk and the school will have a vegetable tray and cake for after the performance.



## Help Needed!

There are several areas in which we need parental support this month. If you are available to help with any of the following items, please call the school at 357-4074 and let us know.

- ❖ On Friday morning, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, the chairs at the Lion's Club need to be set up before our performance. We need parents who are able to go for 8:00 am to set up chairs. Many hands make light work. (This year we **do not** require the stage extension to be set up.)
- ❖ People to cook the potatoes, peas and carrots at the school beginning at approximately 9:00 am.
- ❖ Also people to set up tables and chairs by 11:30 am in the gym as we hope all children will be able to eat together.
- ❖ Volunteers to serve the turkey dinner at school at approximately 11:30 am.
- ❖ Two people to cook the turkeys and slice them and return them the morning of Thursday, December 15<sup>th</sup>.

## Principal's Message



### December is Caring

What a great time of the year to focus on caring! Christmas season provides us with natural authentic experiences with which to practice CARING. Modeling the natural "spirit of giving" and good will for our children at this time of the year is invaluable. Every time we purchase or make something for someone, we can make a point of modeling thoughtfulness, ie. "Wow – I bet Aunt Sarah would love this" / "I wonder what Daddy would like most? He loves to read, maybe a sports magazine". Hopefully the spirit is contagious and our little ones follow our example!

I wish you a happy and safe Christmas season. My hope is that you can enjoy family and friends at this joyous time of the year.

*Merry Christmas!*