



## December News

Dear parents,

It is hard to believe that it is already the month of December! Students in 1A have been working hard all year and will soon get a well-deserved rest. In less than three short weeks it will be Christmas break!

Until then, we are keeping very busy learning and enjoying a variety of holiday themed activities. Please see below for more information.

### Important Dates

Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> (9:30AM)- Advent celebration in the school gym- all are welcome!

Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup>- PD day, NO school for students

Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>- Christmas concert

Friday, December 14<sup>th</sup>- Hot lunch and last day of collection for Sifton School

Thursday, December 20<sup>th</sup>- Grade One Grinch Day

Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>- Dîner de Noël

December 22<sup>nd</sup>- January 6<sup>th</sup>- Christmas Holidays

## **Christmas Hampers**

Our Christmas service project is set to begin and we are again asked to let our kindness and generosity shine as we have in years past. While I find it difficult to call upon our families to donate, I am compelled to do so when I think of the worthy cause and huge need that is before us. In our classrooms we are preparing for the Christmas season by talking about our traditions, the meals that we share, the presents that we hope to receive, where our elf is today, and of course, our most important job, preparing our hearts in remembrance of the birth of baby Jesus.

Each year our school has chosen to deliver hampers to the students of Sifton School, an inner-city school located in Edmonton. Through the years we have made Christmas meals possible for many families, and though we know that we are asking for parents to help with donations throughout the year, we have also learned that many families in Sifton School rely on us for a little bit of that Christmas cheer that we will be enjoying with our families.

If you are able to donate we are asking for non-perishable food items as well as monetary donations on or before December 14<sup>th</sup>.



## **Christmas Concert**

It's that time of year when thoughts turn to Christmas cheer and of course watching our little peanuts singing and dancing their little hearts out. This year our concert will be held on December 13<sup>th</sup>. Please see this

month's issue of the Poburan Post home for more information in regards to show times and tickets!



## Christmas Lunch

It is an EMP tradition for students and teachers to share a meal the day before Christmas vacation starts. This year our lunch will be held on Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. The parent who is in charge of this event will contact you shortly with details so that you can plan and prepare your contribution.



## Winter Time is Here!

.....And it is mighty chilly some days. Please be sure to double check your child's bag to make sure that they didn't leave their mitts on the playground while on the monkey bars, fashion their tuque into a fancy Frisbee and launch it across the playground, or develop winter gear amnesia where their items no longer belong to them once they hit the floor.

In short, little fingers and toes get extra chilly, so please ensure that students have what they need to keep them roasty toasty!

## **Grinch Day**

On December 20<sup>th</sup> we are going to be celebrating Grinch day in Grade One! Dress up like the Grinch, or sport some awesome 'Who' hair to school.

We will be doing all kinds of Grinchy activities and finishing off the day with a short Grinchy movie and a snack.

If you happen to have the original Grinch movie, we would LOVE to borrow it!

You are also welcome to send a small Grinchy green snack or beverage to share with the class. Please let me know if there is something that you would like to contribute.

## **Volunteer Needed**

We are in need of a parent volunteer for a top secret Christmas project. Dates are flexible so please let me know if and when you are available and we will try to work around you!

