

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

In early December we found ourselves wondering, "Will we have a white Christmas this year?"

Seems like a long time ago doesn't it? It also seems like a long time ago we had our annual Christmas Concert. It was a very special evening with a full gym despite the weather conditions. I would like to send a thank you to all students, staff, and parents who supported this community event. If you were in attendance, perhaps you noticed our new stage lighting. This purchase was made possible with the help of our Parent Council and we thank them for their continued support.

As we move into the New Year, we are excited about sharing stories of our Christmas Break and getting back into routines. If you are one of the approximately 50% of people who make "New Year's" resolutions, I wish you well in following through with your goals. The weather has certainly followed through with its goal of having a very white winter.

HELPING HANDS COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Helping Hands Community Christmas. Over 1000 items were collected

DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

The cold weather has settled in and in most likelihood will be getting colder. Brrrr! Now is the time to remember to wear toques, mittens, ski pants, etc.. Also, with the wet snow, it can be a good idea to pack extra socks & mittens as students do go out for recess if the temperature/windchill is above -30.



INCLEMENT WEATHER

In severe weather conditions, the school division closes the school and stops the buses. An announcement is made on radio stations CHSM (AM1250), CFAM (AM950), CJOB (AM680), 95.1 FM and 96.7 FM between 7 and 8 am., advising parents in such cases, as well as a bulletin on the HSD website: www.hsd.ca



ALLERGY ALERTS!

We have a student who has a severe, life-threatening peanut allergy. We are encouraging parents to keep this in mind as you pack lunches/snacks for your children. Please avoid nut products.

Also, please be mindful that strong perfumes can cause an adverse reaction for some students and staff.

JANUARY IS "MILK MONTH"

We will be having "Milk Week" Jan. 16th - 20th.



Monday: "Best Milk & Milk Products Class". Every class will keep track of all the milk and milk products that are consumed in their classroom each day at lunchtime. A prize will be awarded to the class that consumes the most for the week.

Tuesday: "Farm Day". Come dressed in farm wear, cow, milk delivery person, black & white, etc. anything to do with Milk. We will be having a parade at which time we will give prizes for the best costumes. This is not only for the students but, for the staff as well!

Wednesday: "Milk & Cookies". Classes will compete at tossing the cookie bean bags into the large milk carton. There will be prizes awarded at each grade level for the class that gets the most cookies in the milk carton.

Thursday: "Cow Riding" This one is going to be a surprise!

Friday: "Missing Moos"! The cows have gotten out of the barn and are hiding in the school. If you find a cow bring it to the office and you will win a prize.

SKATING

Gr. 1 - 4 students will be going skating as part of their Physical Education Program. The dates are Jan. 26th & 27th. If you can help out with tying skates or skating, please let your child's Teacher know. Also, please note that CSA helmets must be worn by everyone who is on the ice and skates must be in a bag if they are brought with you on the bus. Below is a **tentative** schedule. More information will follow shortly.



<u>TIME</u>	<u>Thurs. Jan. 26th</u>	<u>Fri. Jan. 27th</u>
9:00-10:00	4H/4M	2N/2T
10:30-11:30	4CD/4GD	2W/2SP
12:45-1:45	3H/3E	1W/1H
2:00-3:00	3K	1M/1N