



Grindrod Elementary School

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Goal Setting a Highlight in November

Our first formal reporting occurred on November 20th when students, parents and teachers met to discuss student's specific goals. We want to thank our parents for their participation and our students for their thoughtful goal setting and efforts to achieve these goals in the coming term. We encourage our parents to take an active role in their children's goal achievement by discussing the goals and by providing writing, reading or numeracy opportunities at home, depending on your child's specific goal. Your feedback on the goal setting/reporting process is important to us. Last week we sent home an email link to allow you to provide this feedback. We hope you can find the time to complete this online survey.

Concert Performed this Week

On Thursday, December 6th, we will host two concerts. The first will begin at 10:25am and the second will be at 6:00pm (doors will open at 5:30). Our students have been very involved in the creation of this year's show, which focusses on Canadian festivals, special events and some history. Our students have written and produced, as well as performed the skits, which link the music performances together. It was a significant creative undertaking and we are very proud of the themes they have chosen and the productions they have created. They have even chosen to put a focus on a difficult time in our Nation's history. We hope you enjoy the show!

Family Letter Writing Day

On Friday, December 7th beginning at 12:45pm we invite all of our parents, grandparents and guardians to join our children in our annual Family Letter Writing. We provide special paper and our postmaster April will be here to sell stamps and collect letters for mailing. We ask that students bring the addresses of 2-3 people they would like to write to at this time of the year. We sure hope you can join us on this special day.

Poinsettias Arrive this Tuesday

Our orders will arrive at the school on Tuesday and can be picked up after school. A huge thanks to the PAC, who has coordinated this very popular fundraiser. See you Tuesday.

Winter Rec. Program

In January each year, our students participate in a Winter Recreation Program. Our Kindergarten and grade 1/2 class will go skating in Enderby, our grade 2/3, 4/5 and some of our 6/7 students will cross country ski or snowshoe and other grade 6/7s will downhill ski. Our oldest students have the choice. Other than the downhill skiing, the program is free to the students. The school and the PAC are covering the costs of bussing, rentals and program fees. We are very fortunate to have such an active and supporting Parent Advisory Council. Winter Rec Day for grade 3-7 are January 11th, 18th, 25th and cross country skiers ski in the Pirate Loppet on February 1st. These are all Fridays.

Our skating program begins a week later and runs on January 18th, 25th and February 1st. Skaters must wear helmets and mitts/gloves while skating. We do have some skates to loan to children who might not have skates that fit. Ask your teacher or Mr. Abbott if you'd like to try fitting your child with skates.

Spirit Wear Order

If you participated in the Spirit Wear order this past week you can expect your order to arrive in the second week of December. We will notify you when the order arrives.

Next PAC Meeting- December 11th at 2:10 in the school library.

Last Day Before Winter Break: December 21st.

School Reopens: Monday, January 7, 2019.