

CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2016

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

Merry Christmas to all and to all a great holiday! Canwood Public School students and staff hope this newsletter finds everyone healthy and happy during this magical season. May these festive days allow you to relax and enjoy time spent with family and friends.

Our annual Christmas concert was held on Wednesday, December 9. The evening was kicked off with coffee and dainties in the foyer, along with Christmas caroling provided by some of our high school students accompanied by Mrs. Kirby Kulrich on the piano. Families then moved to the gym where M.C. Ethan Bodnarchuk welcomed everyone and introduced the play "Forty Winks till Christmas". Our enthusiastic Grade 3/4 students narrated the storyline as well as performed several songs. Kindergarten and Grade 1/2 students each performed a song to add to the comical story. The Grade 5/6 class performed a Reader's Theatre presentation entitled "The Grinch Who Stole Christmas". SRC members handed out candy canes and oranges to conclude the evening. Thanks to all the staff and students that helped to prepare for the Christmas Concert.

Our annual Christmas Banquet and Dance for Grade 6 - 12 students was held on Friday, December 11. Thank you to Mrs. Gwen Olson, the grade 9 class and the parent volunteers for providing and serving the fabulous meal. The assistance that we receive from parent volunteers to help with the serving and cleaning up of the meals as well chaperoning the Christmas Dance is always greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Our Community Churches held their Christmas concert on Sunday, December 13 in the school gym followed by a potluck lunch. We are so fortunate to be able to work together as a community as we celebrate the Christmas season.

Thanks to the Saskatchewan Rivers Board & Trustees for the work they do to support our school.

Thanks to Lila Olson and Eleanor Person for making the snacks for our School Christmas Concert. Thank you to Karen Spencer for her work behind the scenes during the Christmas play. Thanks to R.M. #494 for their approval of our PreK grant application. With the monies from this grant, fundraisers, and other grants, we are well on the way to seeing the reality of this project. If things go as planned, we are hoping to start the project in the spring.

Our last day of classes before the school break will be December 18 and the students will resume classes on January 4.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year
-Mrs. Sherry Moar & Mr. Richard Schwehr

THANK YOU



Thanks to Bischler's Potatoes for donating potatoes for our Christmas banquet. Thank you to the following parents: Michelle Altstadt, Laurie and Sheldon Rude, Heather Sten, James and Elaine Holmes, Tani Hamborg, and Marie-Anne Grimard for their help at the Christmas banquet, and dance.



The Grad Class of 2016 would like to thank all of the people who supported the Garden Shed Fundraiser this year. Congratulations to the winner Blair Bernath from Shellbrook.

Thanks to all the families who donated food or money for our Adopt-A-Family program. As a result of your sharing in the Christmas spirit a less fortunate family has been blessed with our community's generosity.

PAST EVENTS

<u>Santa Shop</u> - Thank you so much to all the community members and families that sent items to our annual Santa Shop. The students had so much fun shopping and choosing that special gift for their family members and friends. We are sure many of you will have a "pleasant surprise" on Christmas morning when you open up those special packages from under the tree! Also thank you to our volunteer gift wrappers, Marsha Schwehr, Karen Kvinlaug, Celine Sipes, Lila Olson, Jennifer McNab, Tani Hamborg and Margie Storey, and all staff that helped.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Final Exams</u> - When we return in January there are three weeks of school before final exams begin for semester one classes. Thank you, in advance, to our parents for encouraging your child/ren to study for their midterm and final exams. A commitment from students to fully prepare assists them in achieving to their full potential.

<u>Jan. 2016</u>	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<u>Final Exam</u>	January 25	January 26	January 27	January 28
<u>Schedule</u>	Day 2 a.m.	Day 3 a.m.	Day 4 a.m.	Day 5 a.m.
	ELA A30	Math 30		
Grade 12	(Departmental)	Pre-Calculus	Biology 30	History 20
	(Reading of	Workplace and Ap-		·
	Regulations at	prenticeship		
	8:30 a.m.)			
Grade 11	ELA 20	Math 20	Biology 30	History 20
Grade 10	Regular Classes	Math 10	ELA A10	Science 10

<u>Elementary Skating</u> -The students in the elementary grades will begin their Friday afternoon school skating program in January. In order for our students to participate they must wear a CSA approved helmet. If your child does not have a pair of skates or a helmet, please call the school @ 306-468-2150, and we will do our best to fit them with some. We welcome all parents, caregivers, and grandparents to come and help tie skates and watch the children skate. More information will be going home with students after the Christmas break.



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LIBRARY NEWS

The Canwood Public School library wishes everyone a wonderful, safe and relaxing holiday season and I hope we all find time to sit down and enjoy that favorite book we've been waiting to read. Please remember to return all library books to the school library after the holidays.

-Mrs. Tracy Pease

HAVE FUN BUILDING LITERACY SKILLS

Saskatchewan Rivers School Division's commitment to student achievement focuses on improved literacy. Literacy **begins** with the fundamental acquisition of skills in reading, writing, listening, speaking, viewing, representing and mathematics. It **becomes** the ability of all students to think, apply and communicate effectively **in all subject and program areas** in a variety of ways and for a variety of purposes. As families here are some **Fun** examples to do with your child:

- Curl up with a cup of hot chocolate and a book and read together.
- Have your child draw a picture of their favorite Christmas tradition or a favorite book
- Encourage children to write on holiday cards or write a letter to a loved one.
- Follow a recipe to bake a wonderful Christmas treat.
- Have children count the money needed to make a purchase.
- Plan a holiday scavenger hunt. Have the kids read the list of items and then search the house for them.
- Play board games, card games, and word games.
- Sing Christmas carols. Singing encourages the learning patterns of words, rhymes and rhythms, and is strongly connected to language skills.
- Encourage children to use descriptive language when they tell others about their holiday adventures.

UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Bake Sale</u> -The grade 7/8 class is putting on a bake sale to help fundraise for a class trip to the Moose Jaw tunnels and Regina Science Centre! The bake sale will be every noon hour from January 11 to January 15. We will be set up in front of the office for the entire noon hour and all students and staff members can purchase yummy treats! We will have things like cookies, cake, brownies, and much more! Hope to see you there!

-Cassidy Anderson & Grade 7/8 class

SCHOOL SPORTS

<u>Basketball</u> - The Senior basketball season is off and running. The Junior and Senior basketball players were presented with a terrific opportunity to participate in a basketball camp on Saturday, November 28. The players had 6 hours of on court skills and development from coach Trent Salmond. He put the Canwood players through intensive and challenging drills and was very impressed with the work ethic and development that the players displayed. Thanks to Lori Halayka and Katelyn Halayka for preparing the food and to Colleen Eberts, Lisa Anderson, Karen Kvinlaug and Odile Aiken for helping in the Canteen during the camp.

The Senior Girls will be playing in the Senior B league in Prince Albert. The Senior Boys will be playing a series of exhibition games. Junior teams are playing in the P4A Leagues. Good luck to all teams

and players. Have a great season!

Senior Girls

Jan 5 Canwood @ St Mary Sr B 7:20 p.m.

Jan 12 Canwood @ Carlton 9/10 6:00 p.m.

Jan 19 Canwood @ PACI 5:30 p.m.

Feb 2 League Playoffs Begin

Junior Girls

Jan 7 Canwood @ King George 3:55 p.m.

Jan 14 Queen Mary @ Canwood 3:55 p.m.

Jan 21 Arthur Pechey @ Canwood 3:55 p.m.

Junior Boys

Jan 7 Red Wing @ Canwood 5:00 p.m.

Jan 13 Canwood @ Westview 5:00 p.m.

Jan 21 Canwood @ École Valois 3:55 p.m.

-Mr. Greg Duval

CANWOOD SCHOOL WEBSITE - CHECK IT OUT!

<u>Student Assessment and Evaluation</u> - As a parent you now have the ability to access your children's information through the Parent Portal located on our school website. In the parent portal, you will be able to see the assignments your child has done, the marks they have received as well as the characteristics of successful learners. It will also show if your child has missing or incomplete assignments. The school website you will use is https://cw@srsd119.ca. You will then click on the parent portal tab found on the header at the top of the website. To access this information, please contact the school and you will be provided with a username and password.

<u>School Handbook</u> - The Canwood Public School's 2015-2016 handbook can now be viewed on our website. All parents/guardians and students, please take the time to read through the handbook as it contains procedures followed by Canwood School and Saskatchewan Rivers School Division.

<u>Counsellor's Corner</u> - Also new to our website, check out the counsellor's corner tab where our school social worker Angela Leski has posted information regarding counselling services available at Canwood School, as well as other interesting and useful information.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

100TH ANNIVERSARY - The 100th Anniversary of the Village of Canwood will be celebrated from July 29 to August 1, 2016. As a part of the celebration events a historical play/presentation will be written and performed. The play will consist of short skits and pre-recorded video segments of historical events, both fact and fictional. We currently need your help and are in search of actors and actresses of all ages; children, teens, adults and seniors! If you are interested in participating on stage or being in a pre-recorded segment or just interested in more information, please contact (call or text) Bev Wyatt at 306-468-7838 or Diane Johnson at 306-468-7601.

<u>WPP Auxiliary Fundraiser</u> - Pulled pork on a bun - Tuesday, January 12 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Canwood Hall Senior's Room. \$9.00/person for meal. Come one come all, and thank you in advance for your support!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL STAFF

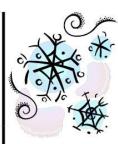




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