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The countdown has begun to Winter break: 3 school days left! Everyone has done a great job decorating the school. I see happy kids everywhere!

Mr. Gillespie and Mr. Kennedy have been busy preparing for tomorrow's Winter Concert. Show your support for your child(ren) by joining us to celebrate their hard work and festive fun. Students to wear white shirts & black pants for the concert.

As teachers will be preparing for our Winter Concert, there will be no afterschool care/activities. School ends at 12:00 and students should be back by 5:45pm. The concert begins at 6:30pm.

We will be going to Southland Leisure Centre this Friday before Winter Break. Please remember to send in the forms and payment by tomorrow, Wednesday.

Thank you to all the volunteers for Run Santa Run! 2015. Our students raised more than \$1000 themselves! I am proud of their fundraising efforts and as a reward all students can dress in appropriate casual clothes for the remainder of the week. You earned it!

Have a wonderful Holiday and we will see you in 2016!

Thank you all!

Rehana Mattu

Elementary Principal

"Working hard is important. But there is something that matters even more, believing in yourself." Harry Potter

This Week – WINTER CONCERT



Upcoming Events

December 16
Winter Concert 6:30pm
Food Drive
No After School

December 17
Subway Lunch

December 18
Swimming Day \$6
Last Day of Classes

December 21 – Jan 1
Christmas Break

January 4
Back to School

News from E1 Ms. Sproule Mrs. McBride Mrs. Mattu

My, oh my how the time is flying! It is hard to believe that there are only a few days of school left before our Christmas break! The students have been very excited for the holidays to begin. We have been working very hard on our Christmas crafts and practicing for the Christmas concert. **Please be here for the concert on Wednesday Evening at 5:45. Please have your child dress in black pants and a white shirt.** We are also working very hard on decorating our door for the door completion, we hope we win the pizza party as we have worked very hard! We have also been enjoying the WIC Park and Blackfoot Park. Thank you for sending your children with proper outdoor clothing as we go outside every day, even when it is cooler out.

We wish you all a safe and a very Merry Christmas and much happiness throughout the holiday season. We also wish you amazing adventures in 2016!



News from E2 Mme. Stein, Mrs. Jogia, Ms. Commet

E2 is ready for the holidays! The tree is decorated, the stockings are hung above the fire place and our gingerbread house is looking delicious! Students are excited for the Secret Santa Gift Exchange and curiously eye the presents accumulating under the tree. They have also been working hard on putting together a beautiful gift for their families and are excited to take them home on Thursday.

Our concert rehearsals have been going very well. Students are working on facing the audience, projecting their voices and following the narrator's directions. We are certain you will all enjoy the short play we have prepared for tomorrow's holiday concert.

This week, students are working on completing acts of Christmas Kindness. Some examples include: reading a book to a friend, doing a chore without being asked, leaving a secret note on a friend's desk, etc. When they complete an act of kindness, they color in a portion of Santa's beard. We look forward to seeing all of Santa's beards colored in before the holidays!

Looking forward to seeing you all at our Holiday concert tomorrow night at 6:30pm!

Elementary Motto

Be Good, Be Safe, Be Helpful



News from E3 Ms. Kerr Mrs. Neild

Many of the children from E3 were at the Run Santa Run! 2015 event this Saturday. Congratulations to Erik, Alexia, Adam and Dillon for completing the 3K walk. We also had a terrific baby shower for Ms. Kerr. She was overwhelmed with the generosity of the children and their families. Thank you to all who contributed to make a special day! ☺ In class, we have been busy decorating our door for a contest. The children worked extremely hard and hopefully will win a pizza party after our break. We have also been learning about different Christmas traditions. We wanted to wish everyone Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and hope that everyone enjoys their time with family and friends.



News from E4 Mrs. Barnstead Mrs. Hasnain Mr. Daniels

E4 sadly said goodbye to Mrs. Hasnain as she begins her new adventures as a Mother-to-be! Mrs. Hasnain will let us know when the precious little boy arrives.

My favourite time of the school year has begun early this year because of the great students we have in our classroom. At the beginning of the year we are all individuals coming together to make a classroom. It usually takes until January or February for the class to really mesh together. However, the students in E4 have come together so quickly because we have such a caring and respectful group of students. The new favourite games are Uno and Pokemon! Everyone happily joins in!

This last week of school in 2015 is filled with Winter Concert rehearsal, crafts, finishing our stories, and generally enjoying the holiday spirit. We end the week with a swimming day at Southland Leisure Centre.

See you all at our Winter Concert Wednesday night (December 16th) in the school's gymnasium. Please have performers at the school by 5:45pm. Concert begins at 6:30pm. Students are to wear a white top and black bottoms.

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News from Expressive Arts Mr. Gillespie

This week in the Expressive Arts, students in the E1 and E2 are in the midst of rehearsing the Dr. Seuss book "How The Grinch Stole Christmas." The students in E3 and E4 are in the midst of rehearsing the story of the boy who wouldn't grow up "Peter Pan." Both small plays are to be performed at our annual Christmas Concert on December 16th.

News from Music Arts Mr. Kennedy

The final school week of 2015 is here which mean one thing - Christmas concert. Our concert will take place Wednesday from 6:30-8:00pm. The kids are excited to perform from their family and classmates. See you then!

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