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Boundary e-News

December 11, 2022

Important Dates & Reminders for the Week of: December 12 to December 16, 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
12	13	14	15	16
	Hot Lunch Pizza Day Young Entrepreneur 6:00-7:30pm		Primary Concert 6:00-7:00pm	Last Day of School Before Holiday Break

Dear Boundary Families,

It is a very busy time of the year, and we hope you are all able to pace yourselves through this season. We are feeling the "busyness" with many of our traditional events back up and running this year. It is so exciting to see the Young Entrepreneurs prepare for their big evening and the songs of the season are filling the school as our younger students prepare for the Winter Concert this coming week.

This past week the Boundary band students performed at Queen Mary School for a combined concert which was rich in sound and seasonal favourites! A huge "thank you" goes out to our amazing Band Teacher, Patrick Metzger, for teaching and encouraging these young gr 5-7 musicians!

The information in this newsletter is very important for everyone. Please take the time to mark your calendars with important events, take note of the safety procedures for student absences, and continue to keep in touch with your child's teacher for ways to support success, continued learning, and ways to enrich learning.

We wish all of you a healthy, happy holiday season. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the school if you have any questions, need any support, or just want to share thoughts or ideas for our continued growth and success.

This is the last newsletter of 2022! Please keep an eye on your email at the beginning or 2023 for any updates or additional information for the New Year!

Calendar

Tuesday December 13 – Young Entrepreneur Evening; 6:00 to 7:30pm

Thursday December 15 – Primary Winter Concert; 6:00 to 7:00pm

Friday December 16 – Last Day of School Before Winter Vacation

Monday January 2 – Students Not in Session

Tuesday January 3 – School Reopens

Wednesday January 11-Friday 13 – Grade 6 ODS

Friday January 13 – Black Excellence Day

Wednesday January 25 – Staff Collaboration Day; Students Dismissed at 2pm

Thursday February 2 – Kindergarten Hearing and Dental Screening

Friday February 3 – Grade 7 Fundraiser – Hot Dog Lunch

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Young Entrepreneur Evening

Please Join Boundary's grade 6 and 7 students at the **Young Entrepreneurs' Christmas Fair Tuesday, December 13th from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.** This fair is the culmination of an intensive exploration on the student's part of what it takes to have your own business. The students developed products, business plans and marketing materials to prepare for Tuesday's event. You can expect hand crafted products from bath bombs to Christmas tree ornaments and everything in between - all for reasonable prices. Everyone is welcome to come and support our Young Entrepreneurs at this exciting and fun event.

Primary Holiday Concert

The Primary Winter Concert is on! Mark your calendars for **Thursday, December 15th, from 6:00 to 7:00pm**. We are asking families to limit attendance to two members per family. Please see the end of the newsletter for additional information.

Boundary Builds for The Shore

Last week we invited students of Boundary to bring in their best Lego Build for display. This year we had over 100 Lego displays! Currently, we are 1/3 of the way to meeting our goal of \$1000 in support of the Elizabeth Fry Society. You may still make **online donations at canadahelps.org** (https://bit.ly/3VN4ydz).

Lost and Found

We have a tremendous number of items in the lost and found this December. All items are laid out in the main foyer for students and parents to look through. You may also see the items online at https://bit.ly/3dl0Pgs. Photos have been updated for the newsletter.

Report Cards

Reports were uploaded Friday, December 9th. To access the Parent Portal, please go to the Boundary website (<u>www.boundaryelementary.ca</u>) and click on "Parent Portal" under Quick Links. If you have any problems, please contact the office at 604-903-3260.

Extended Holidays

If you are planning on starting the holiday season early, please contact both the teacher and office regarding your child's absence. You can read more regarding extended absences on our school's webpage at https://bit.ly/3iWnhFn.

Road Safety

Please practice road safety! There have been several concerning incidents with students being dropped off in the middle of the road, parents parking over the crosswalks, and families jaywalking between parked cars. Safety is everyone's responsibility and one we take seriously here at Boundary. Please be mindful of dropping your child in a safe location, using crosswalks, and respecting the traffic rules. Thank you for you cooperation to help us keep our students safe!

Puzzle of the Week

This week's puzzle is now posted.

Please see the end of the newsletter or click on this link; https://bit.ly/334gwwz for the latest question.

BPAC News

Lynn Valley Lions Christmas Tree Sale

If you are in need of a Christmas tree head to Lynn Canyon Park (3690 Park Road) from 9am to 9pm! The Lynn Valley Lions are tremendous supporters to North Van school PACS and this is one of their most successful annual fundraisers.

They are hoping to sell out so let's help them reach their goal!

Playground Subcommittee

We would like to assemble a committee of people who could help navigate the process of procuring a new playground through government grants, private business as well as money the PAC has set aside for this large scale project. Please email chair@boundarypac.ca if you would like to join this committee.

Babysitting Course and Stay Safe; Home Alone

We will be offering both the Babysitting Course (ages 11-15) and the Stay Safe; Home Alone (ages 9-13) on Friday, February 17th through First Aid Hero.

Cost will be \$60 and space will be limited (30 spots per course).

Registration is available on boundary.hotlunches.net

Babysitting Course – 8:30 - 3:30 Stay Safe! Home Alone – 9:00 – 3:00

Each student will receive a manual for their respective courses as well as a certificate.

Social Media

Instagram: <u>@BoundaryPAC</u>
Facebook: <u>BoundaryPac</u>
Twitter: <u>@BoundaryPAC</u>
Website: boundarypac.ca

Boundary PAC Executive

Chair – Sue Cleall (chair@boundarypac.ca)

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Hot Lunch Coordinator / Special Projects – Nicole Pajak / Tammy Gamel (hotlunch@boundarypac.ca)

Reminders

SD44 Chess Championship

This year's Chess tournament is scheduled for Friday, February 17th, 2022 (Provincial Pro-D) and will take place on the 5th floor of the Education Services Center (2121 Lonsdale). The tournament is free of charge and will start at 9:00am and be done by 3:00pm. If your child is interested in participating, please click https://bit.ly/3B8vUTi.

Heart of Gold

Ms. Falconer heard about the CBC Music School Challenge on the radio on her way to work one day. So, she thought she'd get a group of kids together to learn how to play one of the songs just for fun, maybe to perform for Boundary School one day. Having decided on Neil Young's "Heart of Gold", some students got together to learn guitar, harmonica, and the words to the song.

After many lunch-time and recess practices with Ms. Falconer and Mme Mavor it all came together and we decided to enter the CBC contest after all. A little video in the forest at the back of the school, some drone footage courtesy of Mr. Macleod and we were ready to go!

Hope you all enjoy the Boundary Bobcat Ensemble's music video! https://bit.ly/3VIFNoS

Recycling Drive for the Boundary Grade 7 Class of 2023

The 2023 Boundary Grade 7s are collecting cans, bottles, and other returnable to kick off their fundraising for end of year farewell celebrations.

There will be a bottle drive just after the Holidays on January 7/8th weekend, so save up those empties and look for more details to come in December.

In the meantime, you are able to return empties using the Return It Express system at any time. At the Express kiosk, enter the code 604 903 3260 (easy to remember, it is the school phone number), print off a label, stick onto your (clear) bag of returnables, scan the barcode, and deposit the bag. All money collected will go directly towards the grad fund. This will be ongoing for the rest of the school year - until the end of May.

The Grade 7s thank you for your contributions! If you have any questions or would like some pre-printed labels, please contact Claire (<u>claireferrier@gmail.com</u>).

Student and Family Affordability Fund

Through the Student and Family Affordability Fund (SFAF), the school district is supporting students and their families who are feeling financially challenged due to the rising costs of living.

To request financial support at any time throughout the 2022-2023 school year for expenses such as:

- School fees
- School/course supplies
- Clothing/footwear
- Basic Necessities
- Athletic wear (for school athletics)
- Family food security (groceries)
- PAC hot lunch
- One-day field trips

Please complete the form(s) available on the <u>Student and Family Affordability Fund</u> (https://bit.ly/3TAg8re) web page and submit the form(s) in confidence to Mr. MacLeod.

Should you have any questions or need support completing the form(s), please reach out to Mr. MacLeod. A Frequently Asked Questions web page (https://bit.ly/3yXswcQ) is also available.

Have a great week!

Tim MacLeod Ilona Wardas Principal Vice-Principal



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Primary Holiday Concert

Thursday December 15th, 2022

Hello Kindergarten to Grade 3/4 Families!

This year, Boundary is pleased to welcome the return of Primary Holiday Concert. This event will be held on Thursday, December 15th, 2022. The doors to the gymnasium will open at 5:50pm and the concert will begin shortly after 6:00pm.

Please have your child at the school by 5:45pm. They may enter the school from the main entrance and go to their classrooms. Students will wait calmly in their classrooms before the performance. Please do not come early, the classroom doors will not be open.

We are asking that families limit attendance to two guests due to space restrictions. Younger siblings may sit on the lap of their parents. Guests are asked to wait in line outside the gym prior to 5:50pm

Following the end of the show, students will return to their classrooms with their teacher. Students must be picked up from their classroom exit (daily exit door) and checked out by the teacher for safety.

Teachers will be reaching out to the class regarding what to wear and if any other special items are needed.

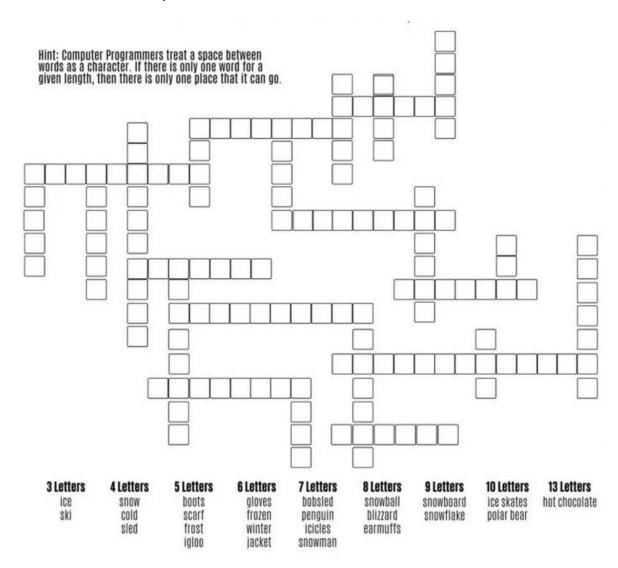
Thank you for your support!

The Kindergarten to Grade 3/4 Team



Winter Crossword Puzzle

Fit all the words into the puzzle!



Be sure to check the next newsletter to see the solution! If you have questions about or suggestions for the puzzle of the week, let Ms. Rush know!

Special thanks to ourfamilycode.com for the puzzle