

Mission Statement: The Columbia Park Elementary community supports the development of our students as life-long, independent learners and responsible citizens, who value diversity and defend human rights in all environments

Columbia Park Elementary Newsletter



R.A.I.S.E. "Respect all individuals, self and the environment"

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Principal's Message

Hello and happy December! With only a week and a half until the Christmas break, there is a buzz in the school. And even with no snow on the ground, it really is starting to look a lot like Christmas thanks to our Christmas "Giving Tree" in the front entranceway (Thanks again to Bryce and the folks at Rona!) All of us at CPE would like to wish you and your family a holiday filled with love and warmth (and hopefully some snow!).

Andy Pfeiffer
Principal, CPE



CPE Giving Tree

The Me to We club at CPE has filled our Christmas tree with gift tags for children in Revelstoke who need a little extra this Christmas. Parents are encouraged to drop in, choose one of the tags and purchase a gift. Those gifts can be placed, unwrapped under the tree and the last day to drop off a gift is **Friday, December 15th**.

CPE Renovation

Thanks to the hard work of our former school district Treasurer Bruce Tisdale, over \$200,000 has been secured for CPE to undergo a renovation. Specifically, the change rooms in the gym will be downsized and converted into another, useable classroom space - a space that will very likely become the new band room! Construction will begin over the Christmas holidays and should be finished in the spring sometime. During construction, the safety of our students is always our number one priority, and, thanks to the City of Revelstoke, we're able to begin some of the construction early in the Christmas break while students are at home enjoying their holiday.

Stay Connected

I'd like to once again remind parents to visit our webpage to view the up-to-date Google Calendar and Twitter feed to stay informed about all that's happening at CPE.



Next PAC Meeting: December 12th at 6:30 in the Library



Christmas Craft Fair

Thursday, December 14th marks our Christmas Craft Fair that is being organized by the CPE Parent Advisory Committee. Each CPE family is asked to make (or buy) five items that can be sold at the Fair. The items should be non-perishable as they are Christmas gifts and we don't want them to spoil before the big day. Examples of crafts include ornaments, knitted items, mugs, jewellery, bath salts -- all of which will be priced from 25 cents to a maximum of \$5.00 per item. Thank you to Tammy Voykin and the rest of the CPE PAC for once again volunteering to run this fun fundraiser.



Christmas Concert

Our Christmas Concert is fast approaching and we're lucky to have Mr. Redding as our concert coordinator this year. Remember this year's concert is **Tuesday December 19th**. We will have a **dress rehearsal at 1:00 pm** that afternoon which is for those who are unable to attend in the evening. The evening performance will start at **6:30 (doors open at 6pm)**. Please enter at the north end of the building through

the gymnasium doors. Also, please remember to bring a generous donation of non-perishable food items or a cash donation, as this is an important event for the Food Bank.

Breakfast Club

A reminder to parents that every Tuesday and Thursday the CPE PAC continues to host our Breakfast Club in the gymnasium. Most kids are coming in just after 8AM and enjoying yogurt, toast, cereal and fruit. We continue to rely on generous donations from businesses such as Southside Foods, and Emcon Services ... and even some parents are making donations!



Whole School Christmas Breakfast and PJ Day - Friday, Dec.22

Remember to wear your pyjamas and bring your favourite stuffy on the last Friday before we have our break. The staff at CPE will be up early that day preparing and then serving up breakfast around 9AM to the whole school. A BIG Thank-you to Save-On-Foods for the generous donation of this breakfast!!



Happy Holidays! School resumes on Monday, January 8th