L'ecole Cliff Drive Elementary

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NEWSLETTER

Dec. 2021

Principal's Message

The tree is up, the lights are out and the house is decorated for the holidays; well at least that is the way at my house right now. As many of you know, I do not live in the neighbourhood, and as I drive my hour to and from work, I have started to notice people getting into the holiday spirit and diving into the festivities. As December has quickly come, it is important that we start to prepare for this typically hectic time of year.

Firstly, I would like to say THANK YOU! Thank you parents for your continued support, respect and follow through. Thank you PAC for finding ways to fundraise and bring some normalcy to the school with Hot Lunches. Thank you students for coming every day, working hard and making the most out of your schooling. Thank you staff for your daily dedication, commitment and spirit that keeps us moving forward. Together we are a brilliant community. Together we will make it though this and come back stronger.

We are going to continue working hard here at Cliff Drive, to ensure all students are engaged in fun and light festivities to rejuvenate the spirit, connect and to enjoy one another's company. We hope everyone has a relaxing, restful and peaceful winter break and that 2021 is filled with many happy experiences, to create lasting memories!

Cheers Cliff Drive Families!

Mr. P. Klassen

Grade 6/7 Volleyball

If you are unaware, our grade 6/7 teachers creatively and safely put together a volleyball season for the grade 6/7 students. It was done through masks, distance, targeted groupings, limited interaction and lots of sanitization. It was amazing to see the students partake and get involved in their physical activities and put their all into their class teams. Congratulation grade 6/7 students on a successful in-house season; it may have looked different, but the energy, passion and commitment behind this was amazing and we are proud of all of you. Thank you to the grade 6/7 teachers for making this happen!

Daily Health Check

It is important that every day, you are discussing with

your child about their health. It is important to monitor this and have a back-up plan, just in case your child becomes ill at school and needs to go home.

At Cliff Drive we are being as cautious and careful as possible. Please ensure you are monitoring your child's health daily. If your child needs to stay home, please know they will not be penalized for the work they miss and will have an opportunity to catch up.

If you require a different translation of the Daily Health Check, or would like more information about the ministry health and safety guidelines, please visit this website: http://www.bccdc.ca/health-info/diseases-conditions/covid-19/childcare-schools/schools.

Monthly Connection Activity

Thank you to everyone who shared your November outings. It was great to see people enjoying nature, spending family time together and just connecting. It would be great to see more families share their past times and take a second to spread the connection. It is amazing how fast a month can go by, and I appreciate you letting us share in the moments in your lives.

This month we know is typically very busy, however, most of us find time to enjoy the lights, set up a tree, celebrate in a way that is meaningful to you, or just find time to decompress. I am hoping that this month, we can take some family pictures around many bright coloured lights in the neighbourhoods. So many people are decorating (inside and/or outside) and I say lets take advantage and take a family selfie. If you could please send me your family selfies to pklassen@deltaschools.ca, then I will make sure to put them on the school website. Happy Photographing.

Water Bottles, Masks and Utensils

We are hoping that parents will be able to remind or pack the students with multiple masks, water bottles daily and the appropriate cutlery they need for their lunches. In the past we have provided cutlery and mini disposable water cups for students to use, but this is not sustainable or good for the environment. We ask that you please take a moment to review this with the students, to ensure they have what they need for successful day.

Lost and Found

It is that time of year again where our Lost and Found is looking extra full. We ask families to remind students to check for any items that might be there's. We have teachers walk the classes by every time they use the gym and so there is ample opportunity to look for things that are missing. We will be donating all remaining items on Monday, December 13th. Please ensure you collect all things before then. Thank you!

Holiday Spirit and Winter Concert

To get into the holiday spirit, we will be partaking in some fun activities this year. Unfortunately, our winter concert will not be taking place in person, but we will be

releasing a video of all classes in a school performance the final week of school before the break. You will have access to the video over link and we ask that you not share or post the video. If you would like your child to be removed from the filming, please let your classroom teacher know as soon as possible. Thank you!

Furthermore, we will be having the school partake in a class door decorating competition and we will be asking each class to decorate their windows, to show the community our amazing art abilities.

Finally, please look below at dates to be aware of, as we will have lots of theme days the final week of school.

Late French Immersion Information

For all families in late French immersion or for those interested in late French immersion next year, there will be a parent info night on January 26th and January 27th at 6:30pm, and will consist of information and question and answers over zoom. Please register for the session here: **https://forms.gle/GkfMQ1PPU3UXQcYK6**

If you are looking at applying for late French immersion, the applications are online and begin Jan. 4, 2022, with a presentation available on the district website Jan. 19, 20211. The deadline for the applications is Feb. 12, 2022 and families will be notified of placement on March 30th, 2022.

Also, if you are looking to participate in a weekly fun French challenge, where you can win prizes, please visit the following link and complete the weekly activity (the activity will change weekly, but the link will stay the same): **https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1RwMWgp456QvxFYdgE_8CJKlZkZy_V26xpf2QSEG-0ck/edit#slide=id.gb9ad68f582_0_10**

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec. 9	Miss Sydney Taylor-Hunt Principal for the Day
Dec. 9	Mr. Charlie O'Gorman Vice-Principal for the Day
Dec. 9	Jersey Day
Dec. 10	Grade 7 versus Teacher Volleyball Game
Dec. 13	Virtual Holiday Concert Link Shared with Families
Dec. 15	Term 1 Report Cards Available Online
Dec. 15	Holiday Hat Theme Day
Dec. 16	Ugly Sweater Theme Day
Dec. 17	Last Day before Christmas Break - Return January 4th, 2022