



Erickson Elementary

NOVEMBER 30, 2009

DATES TO REMEMBER:

DEC. 12-SCHOOL CRAFT SALE 10-2.

Money raised is going towards building a well in India through the SOPAR Project.

DEC. 15-Kids Can Shop

DEC. 17-SCHOOL CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT 7 P.M.

DEC. 18-LAST DAY OF CLASSES.

CHRISTMAS BREAK. STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL ON JANUARY 4. SCHOOL DAY 2.

Good Day Parents/Guardians

At our Parent Group Meeting on November 25th, it was asked if EES could develop an email list of parents/guardians who would prefer to receive communication from the school via email rather than hard copy. I see this as a great opportunity in reducing the number of trees we need to use on a daily basis. If you would prefer to receive communication via email rather than hard copy, of course you need access to the internet, please email me at the school. In the subject line, please type "communication". Email to kslashinsky@rrsd.mb.ca.

Until next time, have a great one!

Mrs. K. Slashinsky

GRADE 2 NEEDS: Christmas items for making wreaths that you aren't using any-

more: ribbons, poinsettias, small decorations, etc.

Kindergarten News

Thanks to every parent who came to parent teacher interviews. There was 100% attendance in our class!

December is a short month for us as we are only at school for 7 days. We will begin counting backwards from 10 and forwards to 50. We will be reading Christmas poems, doing crafts, reading Christmas stories and practicing our song for the concert. We will continue to blend sounds in words which the children are getting really good at!

I am looking for the following donations:

- Decks of cards (use in math)
- Birthday, anniversary cards etc.(use for crafts)
- Empty food boxes from cereal, crackers etc (use in the house)

Have a nice week!

C. Topham

We still need magazines for cutting out pictures. Thank you.

Grade 3 News

The time has flown by! We have been busy in grade 3. In math we are working with larger numbers and developing a greater number understanding. We have also been working with money. We will be finishing up this unit in the next couple of days. The students have become engineers and architects as they have built many structures and performed experiments to determine what makes a structure strong. In ELA we will be writing stories with a winter/Christmas theme. To improve reading fluency and accuracy I encourage everyone to keep reading every night at home. We are looking forward to holiday crafts and activities this month.

Ms. Klassen

Grade 5

The Grade five's have been busy working on projects in Social Studies over the past couple of weeks. Each student completed a small individual project on tools of the First Nations People of Canada's past. Students have now started to work on their large group projects creating Powerpoint presentations of the different Peoples living in Canada's seven geographical zones.

In Science students are learning about the different bones of the body, their location and function.

The Grade five students did an excellent job of their contribution to the upcoming craft sale in art. The students had a hand in painting and decorating ceramic tile coasters that will be bundled into common themes.

We have started a new unit in math, multiplying and dividing whole numbers. Make sure you are studying for your Math Unit #2 test tomorrow!

Also a reminder to Grade five students who have speaking parts in the Christmas Concert to be practicing your lines at home. Script reading practices will start this week.

Grade Six News

We visited the care home last week. Our theme was Remembrance Day. We shared our thoughts, writing and drawings about Remembrance Day with the residents. We also shared our "All About Me" booklets. Visiting the care home was great. The residents really seem to like our company and we enjoy the visit too.

We travelled to Minnedosa for a presentation by Marc Tardiff. Through a magic show, he talked about goal setting and listening to our inner voice. The best part was when he threw a deck of cards at a water bottle on a girl's head and a card somehow ended up inside the water bottle.

We had a speaker in the classroom from The Westman Women's Shelter. Her name was Colleen Erickson. She talked about three types of relationships: healthy, unhealthy, and abusive. She also talked about abuse and how to deal with it. We did some friendship activities and talked about what it means to be a good friend.

We have started practicing for the Christmas Program which is on December 17.

In Social Studies we are working on a skit about The Great Canadians.

We are looking forward to "Kids Can Shop" on December 15 at the high school.

Written by: Brendyn and Leandra

A note from Mrs. Warrington:

I have been doing my best to keep my web page up to date. I have recently added the link for Spelling City in the spelling tab and introduced its use to the class. It is a great online tool to help students practice their spelling words at home! Many of the activities can also be printed here at school if your child wants to take something extra home to work on.

Thanks to those of you who could make it to the conferences last week. Notes have gone home in planners to suggest possible alternate meeting times for those of you who were unable to attend.

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Grade 2 News

Grade 6 news continued :

I would very much appreciate the opportunity to discuss your child's first term in grade six, so please call the school to set up an appointment.

Thank you parents and Grade 2 students for the wonderful Friday (Parent/Teacher Day). It was great to discuss your child's progress and to talk about next term's goals.

Grade 1 News

Wow! December already and no snow. I was great to see the parents that came for parent interviews. The students are practicing their songs for the concert. We are also starting to write letters to Santa. These letters will be printed in the South Mountain Paper sometime in December.

This week in Math we will begin a new unit Addition and subtraction to 12.

In Spelling we are working on unit 8.

In Science we are starting a new unit The Senses just in time for the Holiday Season. At this time of year we can hear many sounds, see, smell and taste many good things.

In Health we are beginning our Dental Unit.

Thank you to the people that brought in magazines.

Until next time.

D. Gaywish

Our Science unit, Solids, Liquids, and Gases, is nearing completion. On Friday, the students taught each other about the safety symbols on household products. Ask you child which symbol they were in charge of.

We have busy this week, practicing our Christmas concert songs and we have begun a Christmas novel. Thank you to Jewel and Marissa for writing this week's newsletter article about our novel and also thank you to Ryan for writing the article about our community study project in Social Studies.

Have a terrific week everyone...S. Hall

Grade 4 News

We are finishing our Math Book #3-Add and Subtraction. We are finishing a power point with music-the capital cities and flags of the provinces. We got 100011 visitors on our web page. We had our pictures taken with the number 100000 on our web site. Baby Ashton came for ROE.

It was a great week...

By Briana and Cyrus

December 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Monday-Taco Salad Tuesday-Chicken Wraps		1 K-Day Hot Lunch Regular Canteen Day 6	2 Perogies Day 1	3 Preorder Pizza K-Day Mini Burgers Fruit Pudding Day 2	4 Preordered Pizza Day 3	5
6 Wednesday-Perogies	7 K-Day Hot Lunch Regular Canteen Day 4	8 Hot Lunch Regular Canteen Day 5	9 K-Day Perogies Day 6	10 Preorder Pizza Teriyaki Wing Dings Cheese Slice Jello Day 1	11 K-Day Preordered Pizza Day 2	12
13 Thursday-check calendar - meal is \$2.50 and \$3.00 with drink	14 Hot Lunch Regular Canteen Day 3	15 K-Day Hot Lunch Regular Canteen Day 4	16 Perogies Day 5	17Preorder Pizza K-Day Day 6 Chicken Chili,Garlic Sticks, RiceKrispie Cake Christmas Concert	18 Day 1 Preordered Pizza Last day of Classes until January 4,2010 Happy Holidays!!	19
20	21 HAPPY HOLIDAYS!!	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31 SEE YOU IN THE NEW YEAR 2010!!		