

CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2022

ADMINISTRATOR'S MESSAGE

Winter came upon us in a blast in the beginning of November but we have much to be thankful for as the holidays approach! November was full of events and great moments. Volleyball wrapped up with all teams doing a great job of representing our school. We would like to thank the coaches for volunteering their time, thank you Mrs. Sansom, Mrs. Howat, Mrs. Hansen and Mrs. Balicki. Also, a big thank you to the players for their dedication and effort and to all the parents who helped drive the teams to games.

We appreciate the Royal Canadian Legion, Canwood Branch, for coming out every year to put on the Remembrance Day service for our school, led by Bob Thompson. Thanks to the community, staff and students that make this service possible.

Thank you to all the families that attended our recent Parent-Teacher Conferences. We appreciate your taking the time to meet with the teachers and we hope that the conference provided you with some valuable insight into your child's progress in school. Your support in your child's learning journey is invaluable. We look forward to a continued partnership throughout the remainder of the school year.

On December 6th, grades K-6 have the wonderful opportunity to attend the Beauty and the Beast Musical at the E.A. Rawlinson Centre. Thank you to the School Community Council for paying a portion of the ticket price.

The SLC is planning a variety of Christmas activities for December including trivia, a scavenger hunt, bulletin board decorating and 7 days of spirit week. The elementary end is happy to have Santa Shop happening again this year, and homerooms will be celebrating Christmas with class parties and activities. Canwood School will also once again be collecting food, toys and cash donations in support of the local Ministerial Association's Christmas Hamper Program.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the staff at Canwood Public School! See you in 2023.

-Mrs. Lisa Howat


Seasons Greetings

UPCOMING EVENTS

Christmas Hamper Program - Once again Canwood Public School SLC will be partnering with the Shellbrook and District Ministerial Association Food Bank. This program supports families each Christmas season, including families in the Canwood area.

Items being collected are:

-Non-perishable food such as canned food, pasta and sauce, stuffing mix, cranberry juice or sauce, candy, chocolates, flour, sugar, cookies, crackers, tea/coffee/juice

-New mitts and toques

-New in the box toys

-Cash Donations (used by the church to buy perishable food).

Donations can be sent as soon as possible. Thank you for your generosity and for sharing in the spirit of Christmas.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT-SEND YOUR FOOD ITEM OR DONATION BY THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15TH.

-Canwood Public School

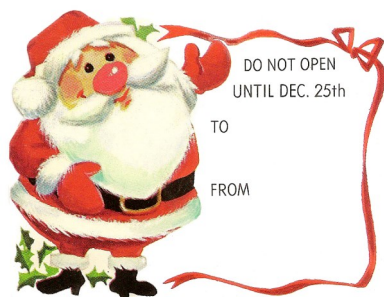


Santa Shop - A Santa Shop for our elementary students in grades K-6 will be held at Canwood Public School on Wednesday, December 14th. We would like to ask each of the students in these grades to donate gently used items such as jewelry, mugs, ornaments, books, toys or other small items to the program. We are often short on items for men - suggestions are tape measures, gloves, ties, socks, coffee mugs or travel mugs. These items will be set up and displayed for the students to purchase for Christmas presents for their families at the low, low cost of .25¢ each.



Imagine the treasures they will find for mom & dad, grandpa & grandma, or their siblings. The Santa Shop will be open for Kindergarten students on Tuesday, December 13th and Grade 1-6 on Wednesday, December 14th and each student will have a chance to purchase some Christmas presents.

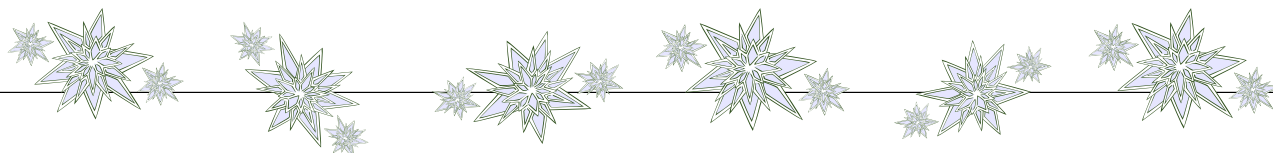
We welcome any donations of sale items, wrapping paper, bows and small boxes. Students please bring your items as soon as possible. Community members can drop off donated items at the front office. Thank you!!



SLC NEWS

Christmas Raffle - The Student Leadership Council has organized a Christmas Raffle to help fund-raise money that will go towards the SLC being able to organize events for the school. Students from grades 7 to 12 donated items to create 5 gift baskets that will be raffled off on December 16th. Students from grades 7 to 12 will be selling tickets from November 28th to December 15th. Tickets are \$1.00 each and each ticket gives the buyer an entry into the draw. Themes for the gift baskets are: movie night basket, Christmas baking basket, spa basket, snack basket, and a vehicle accessories basket. Thank you for supporting our students and school!

-Mrs. Vanessa Balicki



December Activities - The SLC has been busy planning some fun activities for the month of December! This will include spirit week, decorating our hallways with Christmas cheer, gingerbread house decorating, a scavenger hunt, trivia, candy grams, pictures with Santa, and some fun entertainers are scheduled to be at our school on December 20th!

Spirit week will run from December 12th to 20th and will include:

Monday- Christmas Hair Day

Tuesday- Ugly Christmas Sweater Day

Wednesday- Grinch Day

Thursday- Favourite Christmas Movie Character

Friday- Anything but a backpack

Monday 19th- Opposite Gender Day

Tuesday 20th- Pajama Day

Students will earn one point for their house for each day they dress up for! SLC is looking forward to a busy and fun December!



-Mrs. Vanessa Balicki

LIBRARY NEWS



With the support of our parents, staff, community members and students the "Arctic Adventure Book Fair-Snow Much to Read!" was a success. This year once again we managed to top our projected total of \$2,500.00 in sales. A percentage of these sales are returned to our own library in books. I will soon have the new books processed into the computer so that students will have access. Thank you to everyone!

After many correct guesses of 20 red fish swimming amongst the blue whales, we had a draw and one of our Grade 3 students was the lucky winner of the guessing game. Our PreK/Kindergarten intern Ms. Kiefer and student Eowyn Millar were the lucky winners of the \$25.00 draw; they each received \$25.00 in books. Congratulations to all three of you.

-Mrs. Tracy Pease

SCHOOL SPORTS

Senior Volleyball - Senior Girls' and Senior Boys' volleyball has wrapped up for the season. A big thank you to everyone who helped volunteer with driving to games and helping at our home tournament. The girls' team joined the Highway 55 league again and played games against Debden, Big River, Shellbrook and Leoville. The boys were not in a league but played games against Kinistino, PACI and Birch Hills. The girls' season finished with third place at Conference in Debden on Nov. 5th. The boys placed fourth after a close game at Conference in Choiceland on Nov. 12th. All the students played well this year and we look forward to having a great season for both teams next year. Some of the students on the teams were: Hauk Bahnuick, Creeson Thomas, Kaiden Halkett, Tucker McDonald, Aasen Attig, Zander Hounsell, Daunte Sanderson, Hansyn Bahnuick, and Parker Freeman. Cailyn Isbister, Nova Vaagen, Lela Arcand, Nevaya Arcand, Jenaya Bischler, Ebe Johnson, Tora Olson, Jacklyn Sten, Elyse Whiteside, Juel Ahenakew, Noahlyne Amistad, and Brooke Williams.

-Mrs. Kori Sansom & Mrs. Lisa Howat





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Junior Volleyball



- We had fifteen students participate in junior volleyball this year. Our team included girls and boys from grades 6 to 8. Our roster included Macey Bill, Robyn Dionne, Nica Villegas, Jocelyn Lajeunesse, Josie Peters, Rebecca Schutte, Reegan Arcand, Aubrey Hansen, Rajko Hinson, Keira Lajeunesse, Chaylyn Lavoie, Brooke Nordquist, Rakel Olson, Sadie Schutte and Tye Vaughan. We were able to have two teams participate during our weekly Highway 55 league games against Deben and Big River. The Grade 7 and 8 players also went to a tournament in Medstead on October 22nd. The players' dedication and hard work helped them develop their teamwork and volleyball skills. We hope they will continue their growth in the sport by playing again next year. We also want to say thank you to the parents that were able to drive to away games and all the volunteer refs and score keepers that helped make our home games possible.

-Mrs. Courtney Hansen & Mrs. Vanessa Balicki

EXTRAS



Thank You - Thank you to the R.M of Canwood for their yearly \$50 donation to Canwood School. We appreciate it!

Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser - A great big THANK YOU to all of our students and parents who sold Co-op gift cards and thank you to everyone who purchased gift cards. Our school sold a grand total of \$37,875.00! The school's profit from this fundraiser is \$3787.50! Thank you again everyone.

SaskEnergy Grant - It is not news to us that what you consume first thing in the morning can drastically affect your mood and productivity levels. Eating breakfast has been linked to improved concentration, better test scores and increased energy.



We are so excited to share that Canwood Public School is one of the recipients of the SaskEnergy "Share the Warmth" grants this year. This grant will allow us to give our students access to breakfast items as needed and will also allow us to have a small stock of lunch items for the times when students are unable to bring a lunch or forget theirs. We are so thankful that SaskEnergy chose us!

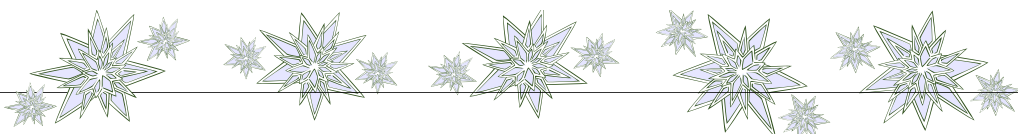
-Mrs. Kaley Spigott

Farm Credit Canada Grant - The FCC knows that hunger can have a direct impact on a student's ability to learn. So, as part of this year's Drive Away Hunger program, FCC is once again investing in school feeding programs across Canada.



Farm Credit Canada

Canwood School is very fortunate and thankful to be one of the recipients of the FCC's Drive Away Hunger program which will help with breakfast and emergency lunch items.

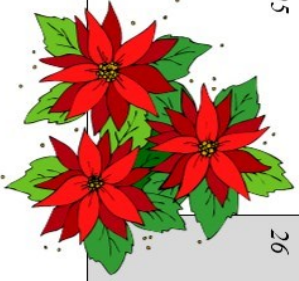




December 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Mrs. Kaley Spigott Social Worker will be at Canwood School on December 6, 13 & 20				1	2	3
4	5	6 K-6 Beauty and the Beast EA Rawlinson	7 School Community Council Meeting 6 p.m.	8 K	9 No PreK	10
11	12 Christmas Hair Day PreK	13 Ugly Christmas Sweater Day K	14 Santa Shop PreK	15 Favorite Christmas Movie Character Day K	16 Anything But A Backpack Day K	17
18	19 Opposite Gender Day PreK	20 Double Vision Twin Magic & Comedy Show K	21 PreK	22 K	23 No PreK	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



Merry

Christmas

