

# CANWOOD SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2024

### Admin Message

Season's Greetings! December has arrived and so has winter! Thank you for sending your child/children to school with the appropriate clothing for the weather conditions.

We have welcomed a new staff member, Mrs. Angel Gendron, we are happy to have Mrs. Gendron join us as a full-time EA.

November was a whirlwind of events. We want to extend our gratitude to the Legion for their service and reminding us the importance of peace and sacrifice during the Remembrance Day Service. The Student Progress Conferences were well attended. Our teachers enjoyed meeting with parents about their child's goals and learning progress. Collaboration and support are the keys to success for your child's learning journey and achievement.

A huge shout out to Canwood School bus drivers: Cathy Schaan, Joy Lavoie, Debbie Anderson and Nicole Buckingham. These ladies get our students safely to school and home, thank you so much for all that you do!

November 24th to 30th is Education Week, this year's theme: "Learning is a Journey". We are honoured to share your child's journey of discovery, exploration and joyful learning each and every day! Our priority is to celebrate achievement and aim to provide educational opportunities that lead to lifelong learning.

Thank you to our SCC for organizing the Mom's Pantry fundraiser. Many thanks to everyone who supported this cause!

We also want to acknowledge those of you who contributed to our Food Bank Drive, this initiative continues until Friday December 13th. We are accepting any non-perishable food items, please send your contribution with your child or drop off at the school office. Also if you have any gently used items for our Santa Shop please drop off your donation at the school.

Just a reminder that we are selling raffle tickets for a beautiful Christmas quilt which was donated by Mrs. Hladun. The quilt is on display at our school and we have posted a picture of it on our school social media and in this newsletter. Tickets cost \$2.00 each.

Principal - Mrs. Sylvia Delisle

### Christmas Concert

K-7 students and SLC members will be organizing and performing the Canwood School Christmas Concert this year. Family, friends and community members are welcome to attend the performance.

Join us Wednesday, December 11th at 6:30 p.m. in the school gym. The school doors (closest to the gym) will open at 6:10 p.m.. K-7 students will join homeroom teachers in their classrooms when they arrive.

We ask that all younger siblings or younger guests stay seated with their families so that our performers are not distracted.

There will be a silver collection as well as a collection box for nonperishable items for our local food bank.

We hope to see you there!

Mrs. Dyan Nordquist & Mr. Richard Schwehr



### Christmas Quilt Raffle

Canwood School is selling raffle tickets on a Christmas themed 4' x 5' quilt handmade by Mrs. Heather Hladun. The draw will be made at the Christmas Concert on Wednesday, December 11th. Tickets can be purchased through the school office. Proceeds of this fundraiser are going towards the purchase of outdoor equipment for student use.

\*\*Canwood students and parents please have all ticket books (sold and unsold) back in to homeroom teachers by Tuesday, December 10th\*\*



## Santa Shop

A Santa Shop for our elementary students in grades K-6 will be held at Canwood Public School on Tuesday, December 17th. 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. Proceeds from this “sale” will be donated to the local food bank. Imagine the treasures they will find for mom & dad, grandpa & grandma, or their siblings. The Santa Shop will be open for Kindergarten students on Monday, December 16th and grades 1-6 on Tuesday, December 17th, each student will have a chance to purchase 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!



## Christmas Banquet

SLC is hosting a “Red Carpet for Christmas” banquet for Canwood students in grades 6-12. Inspired by Hollywood glitz and glam! Come dressed in your most formal attire for an evening of fun! The meal will be catered by Lamplight Cuisine and the dance will have entertainment provided by DJ’s from Armed with Harmony. There is no cost for students to attend. It is a one-time entrance, if a student leaves the building, for any reason, they are not permitted to enter again. For this event to take place, we are seeking parent chaperones! If you are interested in chaperoning, please contact the school.

SLC Advisor – Mrs. Vanessa Balicki

\*\*Thank you to Bronston Enterprises, Kris & Melissa Moe, for their generous donation of \$600 towards the catered meal for the Christmas Banquet!

## Library News

With support from our parents, staff, community members and students, our Scholastic Book fair was a success. This year once again we managed to top our projected total of \$2,000.00 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!

With the closest correct guess of 100 (the total of the pink marshmallows was 99) Emma Balicki was the lucky winner of the guessing game. Mrs. Sansom and Jacklyn Sten were the lucky winners of the \$25.00 draw; they each received \$25.00 in books. Congratulations to all three of you.

I would like to thank my helpers this year, Mrs. Diane Johnson, Ms. Chylann Pease, Jacklyn Sten and Ava Eberts. I appreciated all your help.

Thank You to the Canwood School Community Council for donating a \$5.00 book gift certificate to each student from Kindergarten to Grade 7. I hope they all enjoy their purchases.

Librarian – Mrs. Tracy Pease

## Senior Volleyball

Senior Girls’ Volleyball has wrapped up for another season! We had enough girls to split into two teams again, a 9&10 team and an 11&12 team, and Laura Hagel helped coach again. We played weekly league games in our Highway 55 league, alternating between the two teams. The girls had a great year participating in tournaments in Bruno, Medstead and our own home tournament.

On November 2nd we hosted 2A Conference playoffs. There were 6 teams participating including the Provincial silver medalists, Langham. The Canwood girls played well but unfortunately had a tough pool against Langham and Hepburn and did not move on.

Thanks to all the girls and parents for their commitment to the team this year and a huge thank you to everyone that helped make our Conference playoffs a success!

Coaches – Mrs. Kori Sansom, Mr. Ryan Aiken & Mrs. Lisa Howat



Thank you to SIGA for their generous donation of \$1000.00. We will be using this grant money for help spread Christmas Cheer to those in need.

*Thank you!*



*Merry  
Christmas*

*AND HAPPY NEW YEAR*

**FROM THE STAFF OF CANWOOD SCHOOL**

## Community Events

Canwood Public Library is open Tuesday 9:30-4:00 & Friday 10:30 - 5:00

Tuesday, Dec. 3 & 17 @10:30 PARENTS AND TOTS

Tuesday, Dec. 10 @10:30 - CRAFTER'S CHOICE

Friday, Dec. 6, 13, 20 - after school - 4:30 - KIDS CLUB

Friday, Dec. 13 @1:00 - Grade 3/4 School Visit

Thursday, Dec. 19 - Library hosts Birthday Party @WPP School Music Group is part of Program (thanks!)

We welcome everyone and encourage you to join in our programs to support your Local Library!

Christmas carolling December 8th. Everyone is welcome to meet at the Elks hall at 4:45 to go carolling and then back to the hall where it is warm, for group singing. Hot chocolate and cookies provided, at the hall, by the Canwood Elks and Royal Purple.

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# DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4 Candy Grams .50¢	5 Noon Meal Cowboy Stew & Bun	6 K-6 at Willy Wonka Jr at EA Rawlinson Centre	7
	PreK & K		PreK & K		K	
8	9 Picture Retakes & Grade 12 Cap & Gown Pictures PreK & K	10	11 Candy Grams .50¢ Christmas Concert 6:30 p.m. PreK & K	12 Noon Meal Potato Bacon Soup & Cheese Toast	13	14
15	16 Christmas Hair/Hat Day PreK & K	17 Santa Shop Anything but a Water Bottle Day	18 Candy Grams .50¢ Christmas Character Day PreK & K	19 Grade 6-12 Christmas Banquet & Dance Ugly Christmas Sweater Day	20 Pajama Day	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	<p>Merry Christmas</p>			

Miss Alyssa Salmond, School Social Worker, will be at Canwood School on December 3, 10 & 18

Classes Resume on Monday, Jan 6