

CANWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

January 2026

As we come to the close of another busy and joyful year, I would like to take a moment to share some highlights from December and thank our school community for your continued support.

We are pleased to announce that our school received two new kitchen ranges through the National School Food Program. This was part of the Enhance and Expand portion of a Canadian grant awarded to schools across the country. These new additions will greatly support our school nutrition initiatives, and we are very grateful for this funding.



Our annual Christmas Concert was a tremendous success. Thank you to all of our students for their hard work and for delivering such a wonderful performance. A special thank you to Mrs. Nordquist for creating and directing the WJOY Radio-themed presentation, which truly brought the evening to life.

We are also incredibly thankful to everyone who donated food bank items and contributed to our Silver Collection. Thanks to your generosity, we donated \$105.00, along with numerous food items, to our local Food Bank. Our classrooms were also very busy collecting additional donations that were given to the same organization. We truly appreciate your kindness and support for this important cause, especially at this time of year.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our many volunteers who helped with the Santa Shop, as well as to all those who donated to this special cause. Our elementary students truly love shopping for their families and being part of the Christmas spirit, and your support made this experience meaningful and memorable for them.

December was a very active month for our Student Leadership Council (SLC). They organized a fantastic Spirit Week that included Candy Gram sales, themed spirit days, a Christmas symbol scavenger hunt, a daily "Name That Tune" game during the final week of school, and full participation from every class in the Christmas Bulletin Board Challenge. We also enjoyed an elementary dance for our K-5 students, which was a big hit.

The month concluded with the Silver Bells Gala Banquet and Dance, a spectacular way to end the 2025 year. Students had a lot of fun and created many great memories.

We are looking ahead to the new year and are excited to begin 2026 with a fun ski trip in January. Permission forms were sent home with students prior to the break.

Staff Updates and Farewells:

We would like to share several staff updates with our school community. We extend our sincere thanks and best wishes to Mrs. Ashley Jewitt, who has moved on to T.D. Michel School after the break. We also wish Ms. Cara Boulding all the very best as she begins her maternity leave.

Miss Alli Soyko's last day with us will be Friday, January 16, as she transitions to a teaching position at Carlton Comprehensive High School. We thank her for her dedication and contributions to our school.

We are pleased to welcome back Mr. Ryan Aiken, who will be replacing Miss Soyko in her teaching position. Miss Casey Kvinlaug has joined our team as the new Grade 5/6 teacher. We are also excited to welcome Mr. Cody Barden, who will be teaching the Grade 8 classroom.

Additionally, Mrs. Courtney Hansen will be stepping into the role of Inclusive Education Coach, which was previously part of Ms. Boulding's teaching assignment.

We wish all of our staff members who are moving on the very best in their next chapters and thank them for the positive impact they have had on our school community.

On behalf of the entire staff, we wish you and your families a happy, healthy New Year.

Principal - Mrs. Sylvia Delisle

We have numerous people to thank for all the donations we received in December!

- Community members, parents and staff who donated to Santa Shop, our Christmas Hampers for the local food bank and the Silver Collection at the Christmas Concert for the local food bank.
- Everyone who donated potatoes for the Christmas Banquet
- Matt Moline for a cash donation to the Christmas Banquet
- Broston Enterprises (Kris & Melissa Moe) for their cash donation to the Christmas Banquet
- We had coats, ski pants and toys dropped off at the office
- Woodland Pharmacy donated candy canes to the students for a special treat as well as for the Candy Grams sold by the SLC, which helped raise SLC funds.



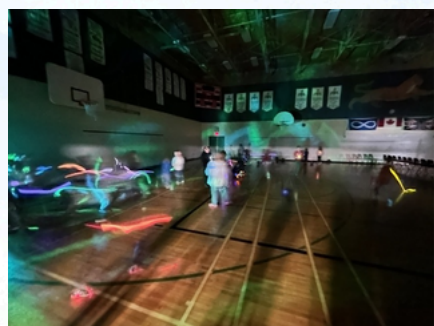
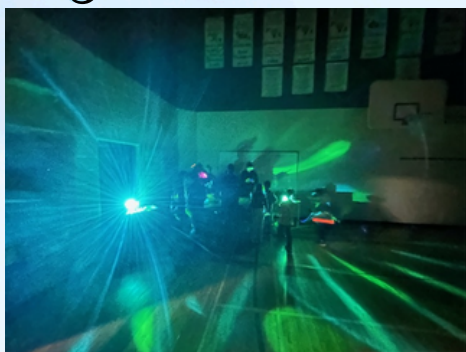
For the School Community Council's Playground Project Fundraiser we received

- \$1000 from Redhead Equipment
- \$500 from Glenmor Equipment
- \$1000 from Woodland Pharmacy
- \$2500 from Tait Insurance Group
- \$1250 from Nutrien

THANK YOU!



K-5 NOON DANCE



SANTA SHOP

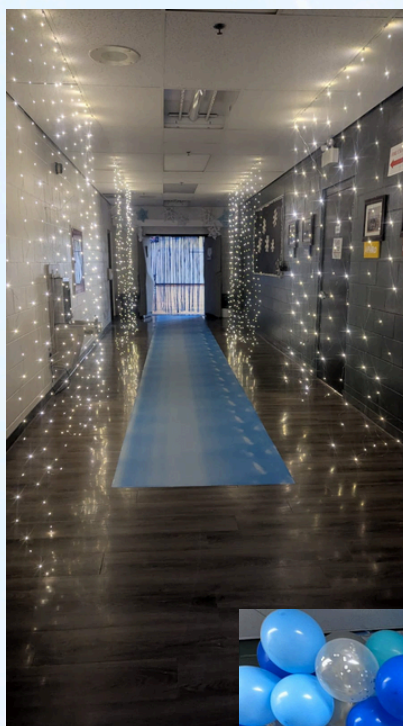
A huge thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers that come back year after year to set up Santa Shop and wrap every gift with care!! It was another amazing day of shopping for our K-7 students.



CHRISTMAS CONCERT



BANQUET & DANCE



Updates & Reminders



It's January and it's cold! To continue building the habit of good attendance children may need to be reminded to dress for the weather. Winter coats, boots, mittens and toques will make going to and from school and playing outside at recess more enjoyable. Winter is not everyone's favourite season, but if we dress warmly for it, winter can be fun!

On the Canwood Public School website you will find

- *Contact Information
 - *Current Handbook
 - *Student Links
 - *Bus Updates
 - *Registration Information
 - *Bell Times
 - *School Year Calendar
 - *Staff List
 - *Timetable
 - *Newsletters
 - *Edsby Info
 - *School Cash Online Info and more!
- Visit our website at cw.srsd119.ca

**VISIT OUR
WEBSITE**



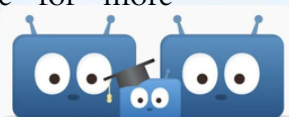


Milk cards can be purchased for students, 10 chocolate milk for \$12.00. Cards can be purchased through School Cash Online or at the school office.

Once you have signed up for Edsby there is an introductory video for parents - you can find it under the "support" link and then by clicking "parents".

It is also important to check your settings for each student to make sure you are receiving all notifications for attendance and messages from the school.

Parents/guardians who have not connected to Edsby yet have been emailed "Invitations to Edsby" periodically over the school year. Edsby has a free app for all iOS and Android smartphones so that you can access school information or enter absences anywhere, anytime. Please call the school office for more information or if you have any questions.



Edsby for parents

The Co-op gift card order forms will be sent home with students on Monday, January 26th. All order forms and payments should be handed in by Tuesday, February 3rd. Members of the community and surrounding area are welcome to contact the school office by Tuesday, February 3rd if you would like to order Co-op gift cards. Proceeds of this fundraiser will go towards our playground equipment and workout room.

We are asking parents and guardians to sign up for School Cash Online. Currently, school fees can be paid online as well as milk cards for the elementary students. More events and items are always added to School Cash Online as they occur and become available. If you have already paid cash for school fees or milk cards, sign up to take a look at your payment history. Payments through this program are by credit card or electronic check which is a transfer directly out of your bank account. See Canwood School website or Sask Rivers website for how to register.

Make online payments with
SchoolCashOnline

NOW AVAILABLE

- ✓ Field Trips
- ✓ Sports Events
- ✓ Activity Fees

KEYGROUP
School Cash Simplified

Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser  **Creating Community**

- GIFT CARDS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR USE AT ANY PARTICIPATING CO-OP STORE ACROSS WESTERN CANADA WITH NO MINIMUM PURCHASE REQUIREMENT
- THEY ARE APPLICABLE DURING SPECIAL PROMOTIONS, EVENTS AND DISCOUNT DAYS
- GIFT CARDS CAN BE USED FOR VARIOUS EVERYDAY CONSUMER GOODS SUCH AS FOOD, PHARMACY ITEMS, PUMP GAS, TOBACCO, LIQUOR, HARDWARE, AND LUMBER PURCHASES

AVAILABLE DENOMINATIONS

- \$25
- \$50
- \$100

***GIFT CARDS ARE NOT REDEEMABLE FOR CASH**

LAKE COUNTRY **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT**

Community Events

Canwood Wapiti Library: Tuesday 9:30-4:00 & Wednesday 10:30-5:00. Holiday Hours: Wednesday, Dec. 24-closed early @2:00, Wednesday, Jan. 31-closed early @2:00. Final Kid's Club of 2025 is on December 17 and will resume on January 14-Grades 1-5 welcome on Wednesdays after school until 4:30. Special events in January are a school visit from Miss Saam's Grade 3/4 and an author presentation by Laurie Muirhead on January 28 @1:30. Crafters Choice-2nd and 4th Tuesday mornings at 10:30. Check out our Facebook page and posters for updated news. We thank everyone who has supported our library throughout 2025 and wish you all peace & prosperity in 2026! Cheers from Bev, Canwood Librarian

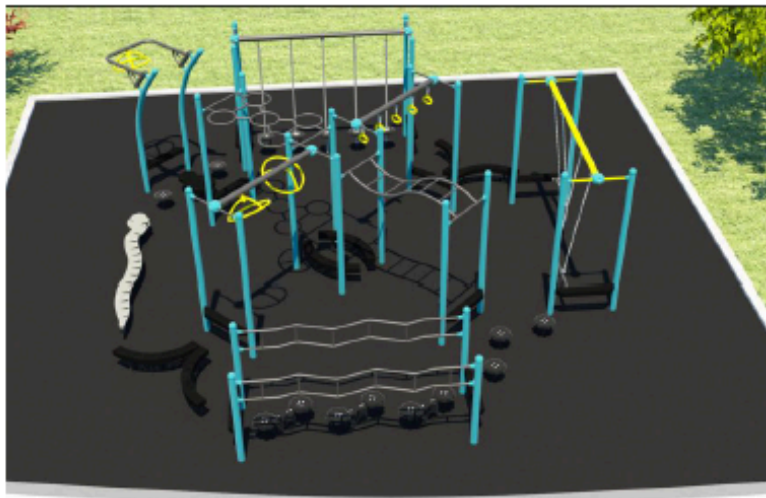
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Exciting News for Canwood School Playground!

The Canwood School Community Council (SCC) is thrilled to announce that after months of dedicated fundraising efforts, our application for a Saskatchewan Parks and Recreation matching grant has been approved! This means new playground equipment will soon be added to our school grounds, giving students even more opportunities to play, explore, and enjoy outdoor fun.



This new equipment will complement the existing structures, expanding the playground and ensuring that children of all ages have more options to stay active and engaged during recess and after school.

A Heartfelt Thank You

This achievement would not have been possible without the tireless work of our SCC and the incredible support of our community. Special recognition goes to:

Generous corporate and community donors, including:

- Tait Insurance Group
- Woodland Pharmacy
- Brandt Tractor
- Glenmor Equipment
- Redhead Equipment
- Nutrien Ag Solutions
- The Village of Canwood
- The RM of Canwood

Your contributions have made this dream a reality, and we are deeply grateful for your commitment to our students and community.

Looking Ahead

Installation of the new playground equipment will begin the summer of 2026, and we can't wait to see the joy on our students' faces as they explore the expanded play space. This project is a shining example of what can be accomplished when a community comes together for the benefit of its children.

Stay tuned for updates on the installation timeline and an official ribbon-cutting celebration!

Heather Sten
SCC Chair

2026

January



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
Ms Holly Meyers School Social Worker will be at Canwood School on Tuesdays & Thursdays				1 <i>Happy New Year</i>	2	3
4	5 Classes Resume	6 K	7	8 K	9	10
11	12 PreK	13 SCC Meeting 5 p.m. K	14 PreK	15 Noon Meal Shepherd's Pie K	16 Gr 7-12 Ski Trip K	17
18	19 PreK	20 K	21 PreK	22 K	23	24
25	26 Co-op Gift Card Fundraiser until Feb 3rd PreK	27 K	28 PreK	29 Noon Meal Breakfast Wraps K	30 PLC No Classes	31



Canadian Dental Care Plan

Accessible. Affordable. Essential.



Eligibility

To qualify, you must:

- ✓ be a Canadian resident for tax purposes
- ✓ not have access to employer/pension-sponsored or private dental insurance
- ✓ have an adjusted family net income of less than \$90,000
- ✓ have filed your tax return in the previous year

The CDCP will help ease financial barriers to accessing oral health care for up to **nine million** eligible Canadian residents.



How to Apply

CDCP Application Phases	
Group	Applications open
Invitation to apply by mail	
Seniors aged 87 and above	Starting December 2023
Seniors aged 77 to 86 years	Starting January 2024
Seniors aged 72 to 76 years	Starting February 2024
Seniors aged 70 to 71 years	Starting March 2024
Application online	
Seniors aged 65 to 69 years	Starting May 2024
Adults aged 18 to 64 with a valid Disability Tax Credit certificate	Starting June 2024
Children under 18 years old	Starting June 2024
All remaining eligible Canadian residents	Starting 2025



Letters will be sent in phases by age group between December 2023 and March 2024 until all potentially eligible seniors who are 70 years of age or older have been invited to apply for the CDCP.

Oral health is important to your overall health and well-being. Regular visits to an oral health professional reduces the risk of health problems.

In 2022, one in four Canadians reported avoiding visiting an oral health professional due to the cost.

Every Canadian deserves accessible, affordable and essential oral health care.



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