



DEC 8 - 12, 2025

HAWKS NEWS

Week at a Glance



Mon. Dec. 8

- **Canned Food Drive
until Dec. 17**

Tues. Dec. 9

- **Macdonald and Massey
skating FT**

Wed. Dec. 10

- **Wonderful Wednesday!**

Thurs. Dec. 11

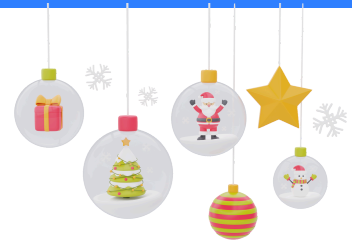
- **Thankful Thursday!**

Fri. Dec. 12

- **Spirit Day - Christmas
sweater/festive wear, or
wear your Hawks' spirit
wear**
- **Christmas Store is open!**
- **Ratzlaff and Torok
skating FT**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

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Families,



We are so appreciative of our PAC and all the parent volunteers who provided the pancake breakfast on December 1st! The students loved it, and it was an amazing community event! What a fantastic way to kick off December!

Huge shout-out to Chris Pluhowy for bringing the Chilliwack Firefighters' Community Events truck and grill, and flipping pancakes for our breakfast!

We can feel the energy and excitement of December! Please continue to keep up those bedtime routines so your child is rested for the busyness of the next couple of weeks. It can also be a time of year when students feel silly, emotional, or dysregulated. At our assembly, we reviewed some strategies to solve problems in peaceful ways. We also talked about how to calm our bodies (hot chocolate breathing, going for a walk, counting to 10) and when to seek help if we need to solve a problem.



Upcoming Dates

Dec. 15 - PAC Christmas store

Dec. 15-17 - Learning Updates (report cards) go home

Dec. 17 - Concert dress rehearsal at 10:45

Dec. 18 - Concert #1 - 11:00 am

Dec. 18 - Concert #2 - 6:00 pm

Dec. 19 - Last day of classes before the Winter Break

Dec. 20 - Jan. 4 - Winter Break

Jan. 5 - School back in session



ECE's "Home for the Holidays"

Thursday, December 18

Morning concert: 11 am — 12 pm

Evening concert: 6 pm — 7 pm

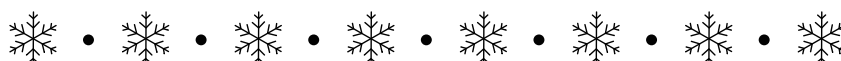
We are looking forward to seeing you at our concert!
This is a ticketed event as we must adhere to capacity limits.
Each family will receive 2 tickets to the morning show
and 2 tickets to the afternoon show. We know this limits the
number of family members that can attend.
You are welcome to trade tickets with friends and neighbours.
You will receive tickets by **Friday, December 12th**.

Families who attend the morning concert will line up outside
along the wall of the school.

We will welcome guests to load the gym around 10:45 am.

For the evening concert, doors will be open at 5:45 for students
to report to their classrooms
or designated areas (students in portables will be in the school).

A shuttle will be provided between the church and the school
parking lot. Families will line up outside until the doors open.



Christmas Store

The Gr.5 classes and the PAC will once again be hosting the Christmas Store. The money raised will be going to charity. All students will be able to purchase at least 1 (or more) gifts, depending on the number of items donated. All gifts will be priced at \$2.00. They will be wrapped for the child to bring home.

The purpose of the Christmas store is to allow the students to purchase surprise gifts for adults in their lives. We will be running the store on Dec. 12th and 15th.

Please start collecting items that you would like to donate to the store. Any new or gently used items suitable for adults would be welcome (a good time for regifting). Please do not send clothing or toys.

We will be accepting donations from November 24 - December 5. We would also appreciate donations of gift bags, gift boxes, or gift tags. All items can be sent to school with your child to bring to their classroom.

If you have any questions or are interested in volunteering, please reach out to:

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EAST CHILLIWACK ELEMENTARY



HELP DONATE TO THOSE IN HUNGER!

BRING IN FROM DECEMBER 1ST-13TH

The food items we are most in need of include:

Peanut butter, Canned vegetables (corn, beans, etc.), Rice or pasta, Canned meats (tuna, salmon, ham, turkey, chicken), Condensed & chunky soups, Canned fruit, Mac & cheese, Cereal, Meal helpers (Hamburger Helper, Stove Top, Sidekicks).

*Drop off
Location*

ITEMS WILL BE COUNTED IN
CLASSROOMS, COLLECTED AND
STORED IN THE HAWKS NEST.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MS. REES AT 604-794-7533

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Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease

There have been some confirmed cases of Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease in several classrooms.

Attached is some information on what Hand, Foot and Mouth disease is, and what to look for.

If your child is unwell, please keep them at home until they are feeling better.



Dress for the weather!

With winter just around the corner, please make sure your child is coming to school prepared to be outside. Proper footwear, a good coat, gloves, and a toque will become necessary very soon.

We go outside most days, and we want the students to be dressed for the conditions. Sending your child with a change of clothes would be helpful, too! It is very muddy on our playground and field areas.

