HAWKS NEWS



Week at a Glance

Mon. Nov. 30

- **PAC pancake breakfast**
- **PJ Day or wear your Hawks' spirit wear**
- **Deck the Halls**

Tues. Dec. 1

- **Happy December!**

Wed. Dec. 2

- **December assembly**
- **Skating FT (Nelson, Rees, Simpson)**

Thurs. Dec. 3

- **Thankful Thursday!**

Fri. Dec. 4

- **Feather Friday!**
- **Red, green and white spirit day (or Hawks' spirit wear)**
- **Skating FT (Hinksman and Hussain)**

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Ey Swayel East Chilliwack Families,

Happy December!

This upcoming month will be extra busy with the PAC pancake breakfast, singing practices, arts and crafts for the season, Christmas store shopping, spirit days, holiday learning activities, the Food Bank Drive, learning updates, our Christmas concert, and much more!

One of our school goals this term is focused on ***well-being and social-emotional learning.*** Students are learning to identify emotions and strategies to help regulate their feelings.

Our December virtue will be focused on being **KIND**. We are observing some hands-on behaviours, unkind words, and difficulties solving problems in kind and safe ways. We will continue to support our students' self-regulation with strategies to calm their bodies and minds when they are frustrated.

Upcoming Dates

Dec. 7 - Grade 1s skating
Dec. 11 - PAC Christmas Store
Dec. 11 - Christmas sweater/Festive wear
Dec. 14 - Christmas store / Sto:lo Bannock Day
Dec. 14-16 - Learning Updates go home
Dec. 17 - ** Christmas concert dress rehearsal at RTCS
6:00 pm Evening Christmas concert at RTCS **
Dec. 18 - PJ Day / Sas and Massey FT
Dec. 18 - Last day of classes before Winter Break

Our Journey Towards Truth and Reconciliation

November 25th and November 26th East Chilliwack Elementary had the privilege of hosting Rick Joe for two full days of drumming.
Students were respectful and learned cultural appreciation. They learned to listen and about the importance of Indigenous traditions, like storytelling.
Drumming carries cultural, historical, and community significance.
Please ask your child about the drumming song they learned with Rick Joe.
On December 14, our students will also get the opportunity to enjoy Sto:lo Bannock.



"Twinkle Lights and Christmas Night"

Our Christmas concert will be at Rosedale Traditional Elementary School.

Thursday, December 17

Dress rehearsal is at 10 am

Evening concert: 6 pm

Each family will receive 2 tickets for the evening concert.

Please see the email Mrs. Ingham sent home to families earlier today.

Christmas Store

The Gr.5 classes and the PAC are hosting the Christmas Store again this year. The money raised will go to charity. All students will be able to purchase at least 1 gift (or more), 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 Christmas store allows the students to purchase surprise gifts for adults in their lives. We will be running the store on **Dec.11th and 14th.**

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 23 - December 9. 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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(See attached poster from the PAC)

Please visit our website at https://eastchilliwack.sd33.bc.ca/ for our school calendar and more information about our school