

Spring Valley's Bulldog Bulletin

Friday, November 22, 2024

Message from Mr. Cooper:

Happy Fall season Valley Families,

I trust that you have been enjoying the unseasonably warm weather and perhaps have taken advantage of it by raking up a few more leaves and transitioning your home decorations to more "Winter" festive themes.

It has been an extremely busy fall and we are just catching our breath as we head into the Christmas season. The Spring Valley Staff are an amazing group of professionals who care deeply about your child(ren) and gladly contribute to enhancing your child(ren)'s learning experience by volunteering to do extra-curricular activities. Mr. Pemberton has once again organized another incredible Terry Fox Fundraising campaign, Ms. Budgell and Ms. Worona paired up to support our cross-country runners, Ms. Wheatcroft, Ms. Gram, Ms. Balog and Ms. Ostrander coached soccer, Ms. Brauer, Ms. Budgell and Ms. Lonergan coached Rugby, Ms. Flindall is again engaging interested students in the Caribou Math Contests, Ms. Ostrander and Ms. Brauer are coaching volleyball and the list goes on.

Many thanks to the Scott family for providing a "float" for our students to walk behind in the Brighton Santa Claus parade, to Ms. Budgell and Ms. Worona for organizing the students and to Ms. Ostrander, Ms. Coxhead and Ms. Rutherford for accompanying the students who attended.

Our School Council is processing your Empire Cheese Orders and is very pleased with the response this year. We are also looking forward to receiving and wearing our updated Bulldog Spirit wear, soon.

Buckle and button up as Fall is more than half over and Winter is just around the corner.

What you need to know:

- **Progress Reports**: Paper copies were sent home with each child, on Wednesday. E-copies are available through Edsby.
- **Interviews:** Teachers either have or soon will reach out to make arrangements for interviews, in person, by phone or virtually, next week.
- Picture Retakes: Scheduled for November 26th
- The Book Fair will be in the Learning Commons from Dec. 2 to 6 and open on C & C night.
- Cookies and Crafts is scheduled for the evening of December 5th.
- Empire Cheese pick-up at the Cookies and Crafts night.
- Spring Valley Spirit Wear pick-up at Cookies and Crafts night.
- Winter Concert: Ms. Balog is organizing a winter concert for the middle block, 11:45 am
 1:15 pm on Wednesday, December 11th. Primary classes will perform first followed by

- a brief intermission and then the Junior and Intermediate students will perform. Guest seating will be limited.
- Winter wear: Now that the weather has started to cool, we ask that you check to make sure your child is coming to school, dressed appropriately, including hats and mitts/gloves.
- Brighton Christmas Hamper Program: If you are interested but missed the in-person registration dates, you can reach out to Christine Bowman from "Brighton Community Care" at 613-475-4190
- <u>STSCO Winter Newsletter</u> Important information regarding their winter weather notification process and much more.
- School Health Info.
 - KPR's <u>Pediculosis/Headlice Prevention</u>
 - o Common Early Childhood Diseases reference chart.
 - Hand Foot and Mouth Disease Facts Sheet. We have had some cases in the school and thought this might be helpful for you.
 - Provincial Self-assessment tool "Anyone who is sick or has any symptoms
 of illness, including those not listed in this self-assessment tool, should
 stay home and seek assessment from a health care provider if needed.

Important dates for the calendar:

Nov. 25 After-hours drop-in interviews available for Grades 4 to 8 parents

Nov. 26 and 27 After-hours drop-in interviews available for JK to Grade 3, by appointment.

Nov. 26 Picture Retakes

Nov. 29 Silly/Holiday socks Spirit Day

Dec. 5 Cookies and Craft night - Cheese and Spirit Wear Pick up

Dec. 6 Fancy or Flannel Spirit Day

Dec. 13 Holiday hat and or sweater Spirit Day

Dec. 20 PJ and Comfy Clothes Day Dec. 23 First Day of Christmas Break Jan. 6 First Day back of the New Year

Resources you can access:

- 1. KPR News <u>Updates for Families</u>
- 2. Daily COVID School Self-Screening tool
- 3. Volunteering: Volunteer Vulnerable Sectors Letter, KPR's vaccination attestation form.
- 4. KPR School Cash Online information
- 5. STSCO



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