

The

TOMAHAWK SCHOOL

Times



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December Edition

Principal's Message...

Greetings to All,

The calendar has turned to December and the anticipation of Christmas is beginning to bubble in the hallways of the school. Please note the information provided on the times of the Christmas Concert on Dec 19th. This year we are providing two performances in the hope of balancing the audience numbers. Please consider if you may be able to attend the afternoon performance at 1:45! Christmas is a wonderful time for many of our students, but for some, it can also be a stressful time with a change in routine. As teachers, we are sensitive to the variety of emotions that students can experience over the next few weeks.

The Wish Tree is now available and we are so pleased to be partnering with Santa's Anonymous to help some of our local families. Tags have a variety of price ranges so please stop in to choose a tag or send a note with your child and we can send one home. Thank you for sharing and caring.

There has been a lot of news lately about the provincial budget and the effect on education. I encourage you to read on the PSD website how Parkland School Division is responding.

Finally, I wish you a safe and joyous December and Christmas with family and friends. Thank you for all you do for your child as we partner with you in supporting the growth of your child.

Merry Christmas,

Fran

Report Cards

Our Term 1 report cards will go live on your parent portal Friday, December 6th at 3:15pm.

If you have forgotten your parent portal information, please contact the office.

School Fees

Statements for school fees went home last week. There are a few ways you are able to pay.

Log onto your parent portal and use a credit card to pay

OR

Bring cash or a cheque made out to Parkland School Division to the office.

Keep Up to Date

School Website – Check out our school website <http://tomahawk.psd70.ab.ca/> for the latest events & activities at our school.

Facebook – Like our page @TomahawkSchool to get updates on events.

Christmas Concert – December 19

Join us on Thursday, December 19th at either 1:45pm or 6:45pm for our Christmas concert. You will be entertained by our Grade 5-9's take on Dr. Seuss's How the Grinch Stole Christmas. Our classes and choir have been working hard on their performances too.

Recognition Assembly December 10

Join us on **Tuesday, December 10th at 2:15pm** for our December Recognition Assembly.

Winter Fun Day – December 20

Following our wonderful Christmas Craft morning and hot dog lunch supplied by Friends of Tomahawk we will be having a Winter Fun Day outside in the afternoon.

Spirit Day – December 20

Our first spirit day of the year will be pajama day on December 20th.



This is our last day before Christmas break and will be a great day to come in your cozy jammies.

Being prepared for the Weather

We have been fortunate with the weather recently so it is easy to become a bit complacent about making sure we have our mitts, hats, boots and ski pants packed daily.



It is especially important to come prepared on our Nature Extension days as we spend a good part of the day outside exploring nature.

Wish Tree

The WISH TREE is ready to go! This year our school is partnering with Santa's Anonymous to provide needed support for our school and community families.

There are a variety of items available to purchase with a variety of prices. We encourage you to come by the office with your child and pick a tag!

Strong Families Sessions

Anxiety Workshop

Tuesday, December 3 – 6-7:30pm

Evening 2 – Strategies to Support Your Anxious Child/Teen

Managing Fighting & Aggression – Discussion Group

Tuesday, December 17 – 6-7:30pm

All sessions are at the Centre for Education (4603 - 48 Street, Stony Plain)

A light supper will be provided and limited childcare is available.

Call Vicky at 780-963-8472 to register

Basketball



Basketball try outs were the last week in November at Seba Beach School. Stay tuned to find out practise dates. Our regular games will kick off after the Christmas break.

Friends of Tomahawk

Friends of Tomahawk next meeting will be Friday, December 13 at 9:00am.

Once again Friends of Tomahawk will be putting on a fun filled morning on December 20th with Christmas Crafts in each classroom.

As well hot dogs will be served to all students that day for lunch.

For the month of December, Wednesdays will be Wacky Hamburger days. Please send in your form if you would like to order a hamburger or cheeseburger.

December Hot Lunch forms are due back Tuesday, December 3rd. Unfortunately late orders will not be accepted.



Dec 5 – Baked Ravioli
Dec 12 – Chicken Fingers w/ carrots
Dec 19– Panago Pizza

Friends of Tomahawk would like to extend a big Thank you to ATB in Drayton Valley for donating to the breakfast program. Their generosity will help load up the classroom baskets with nutritious food items for students to enjoy.

Choice in Education Survey

The Ministry is seeking feedback from Albertans as it prepares for the Choice in Education Legislation that may be part of the 2020 Spring agenda.

If you would like to participate in the survey, which we encourage please just the link below.

<https://extranet.gov.ab.ca/opinio6/s?s=PCEdu>

Survey closes December 6.



December

- 4 – Nature Extension – Early Ed
- 4 – Wacky Hamburger Wednesday
- 5 – Hot Lunch – Baked Ravioli
- 6 – Nature Extension – K/1
- 10 – Parent Link Play Group – 9:30-11:30am
- 11 -- Nature Extension – Grade 2
- 11 – Wacky Hamburger Wednesday
- 12 – Hot Lunch – Chicken Fingers w/ carrots
- 13 – School Council Meeting – 9am
- 13 – Nature Extension – K/1
- 18 – Nature Extension – 3/4
- 18 – Wacky Hamburger Wednesday
- 19 – Christmas Concert – 1:45pm and 6:45pm
- 19 – Hot Lunch – Panago Pizza
- 20 – Spirit Day – Pajama Day
- 20 – Winter Fun Day
- 20 – Hot dog lunch provided by Friends of Tomahawk
- 21-January 5 – Christmas Break
- January 6 – Staff & Students return to school