

SILVER CREEK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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## Principal's Message December 2023



Hello Everyone!

We are excited to host our Winter Concert on Tuesday December 12 @ 1:00pm and 6:00pm. We will open the doors to the Gym @ 12:45pm and 5:45pm so people can get seated comfortably. The students have been working hard to create a few surprises and treats for everyone!

If you ever have any questions, require further information, or would like to chat, feel free to give me a call, or e-mail me at [sgriffit@sd83.bc.ca](mailto:sgriffit@sd83.bc.ca)

Sincerely,

*Sydney Griffith*, Principal



### Holiday Food Hampers!

We need your help please. We will be collecting food hamper items until 9:00am on Thursday December 21. We appreciate your help. Sending 1 or 2 items to school with your child will fill the hampers quickly. These hampers support families in our community. Feel free to place items in the boxes by the front door if you are coming to our Winter Concert too.



### Term 1 Learning Updates

Report cards will be sent home on Wednesday December 13.

### Student Learning and Progress

Here is a reminder of how SD83 schedules the remaining times for

Communicating Student Learning.

#### K to 8

Wednesday December 13<sup>th</sup> - Written Learning Update

Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> - Written Learning Update

Early May - Student-led Conferences

Thursday June 27<sup>th</sup> - Written Summary of Learning



### PAC Meeting. December 18

Thank you everyone that supported our PAC fundraisers this school year. It is greatly appreciated. **Our next meeting will be Monday, December 18 at 12noon at the school.** We welcome everyone to come out, get involved and offer new opinions. If you're not able to come to the meeting and have questions or ideas, please email them to us at [silvercreekpac09@gmail.com](mailto:silvercreekpac09@gmail.com)



### Class Basket Raffle

Tickets go on sale now! Tickets are 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5

The winning tickets will be drawn on Tuesday December 12 at our evening concert. Winning families will be called to come and pick-up the basket.

Money raised goes toward buying gifts for families in need.

### Basket Themes

**Division 1** - Holiday Surprise! (chocolates, confection, holiday items wrapped at school)

**Division 2** - Crafty Creations! (art paper, pencil crayons, scrapbooking items)

**Division 3** - Family Night! (puzzles, games, cards, chips, pretzels, popcorn)

**Division 4** - Baking Bonanza! (bowls, spatulas, chocolate chips, recipes, sprinkles)

Thank you for sending items for your child's baskets. Good luck everyone!

## Cold & Flu Season



Thank you for doing your part during this busy cold and flu season! We realize it is tough to know what to look for... so we are attaching a very helpful and short document from Interior Health to help families.

## Indoor Shoes & Water Bottles

Please make sure your child has their own water bottle as we do not want students sharing bottles and germs! Please pack indoor shoes for school days.



## Upcoming Dates

### **December 2023**

**Now until Thursday December 21 (9am)** Winter Hampers/Food Drive

**Tuesday Dec. 12-** Winter Concert & Class Basket Draw

**Wednesday December 13** - Written Learning Updates (formerly Report Cards)

**Thurs. Dec 14** - Div 1 & 2 Fieldtrip

### Last Week before Break

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> - Creative Hat Day, PAC meeting - all parents/guardians welcome! Div 1 & 2 Fieldtrip

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> - Funky/Ugly or Fun Sweater Day,

Wed. 20<sup>th</sup> - PJ Day

Thurs. 21<sup>st</sup> - **11:45am TURKEY LUNCH** - let's get "SNAZZY" - dress up a little for the Turkey Lunch!

**Fri. Dec 22** - no school - holidays begin (Winter Vacation - Dec. 22 to Jan. 5, 2024)

### **January 2024**

Basketball practices will begin 😊

Mon. Jan 8 - Schools re-open after Winter Break

Wed. Jan 17 - Kindergarten/French Immersion/Outdoor Learning registration opens for Sept. 2024

Mon. Jan 29 - Non-Instructional Day (no school for students)

### **February 2024**

Fri. 16 - Professional Development Day (no school for students)

Mon. 19 - Family Day (statutory holiday)

### **March 2024**

Fri. 15- Last day before Spring Break

**Spring Break March 18 - March 28**



## Turkey Luncheon! Everyone Welcome!

**Date:** Thursday Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>

**Time:** 11:45am

Please join us for a delicious pre-break family lunch with all the fixings!

We welcome any adult family members who can help us serve this

delicious meal to our community. Your support is greatly appreciated. Please contact Lori @ (250)-832-8282 if you are able to help serve. Thank you!



## Student & Family Affordability Fund

The Ministry of Education and Childcare announced that it has allocated one-time funding to school districts to increase food security for students and their families, and to support students, parents, and guardians with affordability concerns during the 2022/23 school year. At the school level, this allows individual schools to help families with school fees, special

events fees, transportation fees, school supplies and food when needed. We have provided several families with support in these areas. **Please reach out to the principal for confidential information and support. We will do our best to help!**