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DECEMBER NEWS

The mission of Valley Elementary is to develop lifelong learners, encourage responsibility, and promote achievement of individual potential.

Principal's Message,

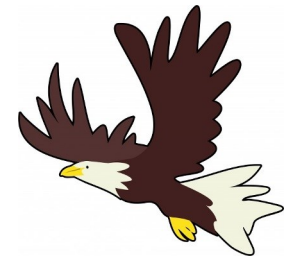


Our dream catcher based on the Seven Sacred Teachings is beginning to take shape. We have tied on red beads, representing courage, for our Nov. focus. In December and January month the Seven Sacred Teaching we are focusing on is love.

Love is represented by the eagle. Students will receive a bead for showing caring to others.

We are looking forward to the special events at our school this December. We hope you have a safe and happy holiday season.

LOVE



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Dec. 13 –Grade 4 visit to Museum of Industry
- Dec. 14, 6:00 pm- Holiday Concert at CEC
- Dec. 15 - Grade 3 visit to Museum of Industry
- Dec. 19 - Holiday Dinner
- Dec 19—Christmas Index Donations
- Dec. 21, 1:00 pm - Holiday Service
- Dec.22 - First day of Winter Break
- Jan.3 - School Resumes
- Jan. 22—Primary Registration

Merry
CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY
New Year

ALLERGEN POLICY: PEANUTS, TREE NUTS, PEANUT BUTTER, TREE NUT BUTTER, EGGS, MAYONNAISE, RANCH DRESSING AND CAESAR DRESSING ARE NOT TO BE BROUGHT TO VALLEY ELEMENTARY. IN ADDITION FOODS WHICH CANNOT EASILY BE DISTINGUISHED FROM THE ABOVE PRODUCTS ARE NOT APPROPRIATE TO SEND TO SCHOOL.

School Closures

Decisions regarding **school cancellations**, or **early dismissals**, are made by CCRSB's Operational Services Department and usually happen in the early morning. It is important we have the most up-to-date contact information for parents and guardians, and that parents and guardians have alternative arrangements in place for their children, before a cancellation or early dismissal takes place. Please be prepared in **advance** for school closures.

A full day cancellation or an early dismissal, due to weather conditions, will be announced in several ways:

The "All Schools Open" button on the CCRSB home page changes to red for a full cancellation or orange for early dismissal. By clicking on the button, you can get closure information specific to your Family of Schools.

A message regarding the cancellation or early dismissal is posted to the CCRSB home page under "News", to the CCRSB Facebook page and to our Twitter feed.

Information is sent to all local newspapers, radio and television stations within CCRSB, including CBC radio in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island and CFCY radio in Charlottetown.

Morning Arrival

Most of our students are in their classroom by 8:20 each morning. The average number of students arriving late each day is 13. Please respect the learning of students in our school by having your child arrive at school punctually. Thank you

Primary Registration

It is already that time of year where we begin to plan for next year's Primary students. Our Primary Registration will take place on **Monday, January 22nd**. To begin school in September students must be 5 years of age on or before December 31st, 2018. It is necessary to provide a Birth Certificate or Passport as proof of age. Please call the school if your child, or any other that you know, is eligible to begin school in September.



Christmas Index

Valley Elementary will once again be supporting the local Christmas Index. Staff will be contributing money collected from Casual Day to the Christmas Index to support those less fortunate than us. We invite our families to help as well. Donations may be made in the form of money or gift cards. We hope that contributing to others will bring happiness and joy to our students. If you wish to donate please send in your contribution by Tuesday, **December 19**. Thank you for giving your consideration to helping others.

Holiday Service

One of the best loved traditions at our school is the Holiday Service. This service is arranged by Mrs. Thiesen. Our Grade 2, 3, & 4 students have been given an opportunity to participate. This service is multi-denominational and tells the story of Christmas from a Christian perspective. If you prefer that your child not attend, please contact the school and an alternate activity will be provided. Parents and community members are welcome to join us for this.

Holiday Dinner

Our annual Holiday Dinner will be Tuesday, December 19th. It will be provided at no cost to the students. In order to hold this event we depend on volunteers to help prepare, serve and clean up. Please be sure you send in your filled out form so we can have accurate numbers and know who may be able to help.