



Jessie Duncan Elementary School

A proud part of Chinook's Edge School Division #73

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Principal: Mrs. Trudy Henry Vice-Principal: Miss Becca Chmelyk

Dates to Remember

- **Nov 16** Operation Christmas
Child boxes due by noon
- **Nov 17** Superhero Day
Muffin Morning
- **Nov 22** Photo Retake Day
Booster Juice Day
- **Nov 23** Progress Reports
Go Home
- **Nov 24** No School
(Collaborative Day)
- **Nov 28-29-30** PreK & Kinder
P/T Interviews
- **Nov 30** POWER Assembly
@ 2:20 pm.
- **Dec 5** Lunch Orders Due
@10:00am Online
- **Dec 7** PJ Day and our
Christmas Concert 6pm
@ Penhold Crossing School



Principal's Message

How is student success measured? At school, we measure a child's achievement in relation to learner outcomes. On your child's Progress Report you will see "I can" statements which indicate what your child is expected to know or demonstrate for their grade level. Teachers use a variety of assessment tools (observation, work samples, one on one testing and formal testing) on a daily basis to track student progress and use it to plan for instruction. While we send home formal Progress Reports three times a year, the assessment process is ongoing.

Reporting your child's progress through the individual outcomes provides you with a more specific picture of what your child can or cannot do. For example, rather than just reporting on "reading" in general, the progress report breaks down reading into the individual skills involved, such as:

- reading the words (decoding)
- understanding what is read (comprehension)
- using picture clues to read unknown words (strategies)
- self correcting mistakes

The progress report achievement indicators will tell you how your child is doing with each individual reading skill, so that you will know what your child can do and what they need more practice with.

So what do the achievement descriptors mean?

- "Yes I Can" - Your child is able to demonstrate the skill with confidence and *independent* of teacher assistance.
- "I Can Almost" or "Developing"- Your child is able to demonstrate success with the skill but is not quite independent and *requires some support to be successful*.
- "Working Towards" - Your child is *dependent on teacher support* to be able to practice the skill.

Progress Reports will go home next week (Nov 22/23). Pre-kindergarten and Kindergarten will be having Parent-Teacher Interviews the week of November 27. *Grade One Parents who wish to have an interview should contact their child's teacher directly to arrange a date and time.*

Mrs. Henry



Poinsettia Orders

Due: Nov 23rd

Don't forget to send in your orders!!

****This is a School Council fundraiser
to support Toast Club and
Muffin Morning****

Jessie Duncan Elementary School
proudly presents



Date: Thursday, December 7, 2017

**Location: Penhold Crossing Secondary School
Gym**

Time: Doors open at 5:30 pm

Concert starts promptly at 6:00 pm



October 30, 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians:

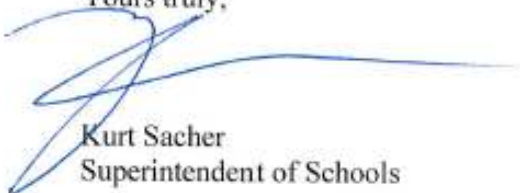
We wanted to provide some background information about a new Administrative Procedure that outlines our expectations around the presence of animals in schools. We know that having animals in schools is widely recognized as an opportunity for meaningful learning experiences, and Administrative Procedure 2-23 provides a formal structure which takes into consideration the health and safety of students, staff and animals.

The new policy ensures that animals are only to be present in schools for specific educational purposes and for observation purposes only. School staff have a legal obligation for the humane and proper care of animals when they are brought into the school, which means the principal must approve all animals before they are brought in, even on a temporary basis. As well, the owner of a cat or dog must show proof of current vaccinations and licensing prior to a visit to the school. In short, before making plans to bring any animal into your child's school, including those for Show and Share type of activities, please contact your principal as there are new guidelines and restrictions.

As always, if the presence of an animal is deemed to compromise the health and wellness of students or staff, because of allergies or other factors, the animal may be forbidden or withdrawn at the discretion of the principal. Please note that this procedure does not refer to service dogs, which have a specialized process and purpose that falls outside the scope of Administrative Procedure 2-23.

This Procedure is in keeping with similar measures in place in other school divisions, and is meant to ensure the health and safety of everyone in our school communities. There are other details outlined in Administrative Procedure 2-23 that we encourage you to become familiar with by viewing the full procedure on the Board section of our website. Thank you very much.

Yours truly,



Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools

NOVEMBER 18, 2017

HOMETOWN CHRISTMAS

Coffee & Treats • 9 am - 5:30 pm
The Gift Loft

Christmas Farmers Market • 9:30 am - 4 pm
Innisfail Legion

Arts & Crafts • 10 am - 12 pm
Innisfail Parent Link Centre

Tasty Treats • 10 am - 3 pm
Adonia Beauty & Wellness

Family Fun Photo Station • 10 am - 2 pm
Lilac & Lace

Cookie Decorating • 11:30 am - 2 pm
Innisfail Library

Fire Station Tour • 1 - 3 pm
Innisfail Fire Hall

Horse Drawn Sleigh Rides • 1 - 3 pm
Sleigh Rides will run between the Fire Hall and the Seniors Drop-In Centre

Musical Jam Session & Treats • 1 - 3 pm
Senior's Drop In Centre

Activity TBD
Central Alberta Co-op

Fireside Family Restaurant
FREE Pop, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate with meal purchase
• 11 am - 4 pm

Boots & Barrels Restaurant
FREE non-alcoholic drinks with meal purchase
• 10 am - 3 pm

First Impressions
Bring in a food bank donation for a chance to win a gift basket
• 9 am - 2 pm

John's No Frills
First 200 customers receive a FREE box of chocolates
• 9 am - 9 pm

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT
It's time to explore! Get to know the local business in your community

SANTA'S SLEIGH DOUBLE STAMP DAY
Participating businesses will double your stamps from 9 am - 9 pm

CAN YOU FIND ME?

PHOTO CONTEST
Listen to 96.5 CKFM & Rock 104.5 Santa Tracker from 10 am - 2 pm, grab a selfie with Santa, & share to the Chamber Facebook page for a chance to win \$25 in Chamber Bucks

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PHOTO RETAKE DAY

Wednesday, November 22nd, 2017

If you are interested in having your child have school photo retakes, please let the teacher know and have your child ready to get their photo done after announcements in the morning.

