

# Parkdale School Parent Newsletter

December 1, 2021

## Happening In December

1 - ECS

- Assembly in the morning
- Hat Day
- Bullying Presentation for Junior High- RCMP

3 - Professional Development Day - No School

6 - ECS

8 - ECS

13 - ECS

- Christmas Sweater Day

15 - ECS

- Taped Parkdale Christmas put into the Google Classrooms

17 - PJ Day

- Last day of school prior to Christmas Break

## Fundraising

Our gift card fundraising forms are due back to the school on Monday, December 6th.

We are having a Christmas Tree Fundraiser. You can pay \$2.00 to have your name in a draw to win a Christmas Tree. Money will be due to the office by Tuesday, December 14th, and the draw will be on Wednesday, December 15th.

## Pre-Fab Construction

This year I wanted to give the Jr High students the opportunity to have a construction class for one of their complementary courses. However, we had nothing, no tools, no work benches, nothing for them to use. I applied for a grant "In the Community" from the Wetaskiwin Co-op. Within the week I received notice that I would be getting \$1000.00 to put towards tools.

Parkdale School would like to thank the **Wetaskiwin CO-OP** for their generous donation to the Jr. High construction class. We were able to purchase tools for the students to learn on. Now we will be able to offer this program for many years to come! We couldn't have done it without you!

We would also like to thank **Home Building Center** for the discount they gave us in order to create workbenches for the classroom, safety glasses for the students to wear and some power drills.

Thanks also goes to Berron Builders for allowing us to use their discount when purchasing tools in Wetaskiwin.

-Nichol Goodrich  
Teacher Parkdale School





## **Mrs. Ritchie - Grade 1**

This month, the Grade One's have been exploring the seasonal changes in our nature classroom! We have been writing about these changes in our journals and have been having a lot of fun working together outside! We even had the perfect weather to build snowmen one day!



## **Mrs. Quinton - Grade 5**

We had a T-Rex visit us on Halloween. He was a wonderful student! The students made slime during health with Mrs. Coyne, and it actually worked. The students also recited "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae for our Remembrance Day Assembly. They did an excellent job and showed respect for this special day.



## **Ms. Bargholz - Grade 2**

In November we have been focusing on being kind. The students have brainstormed ideas about how we can make people feel good without spending money. Smiling, making cards, sharing, helping others, asking people to play if they are alone, etc. Their kindness and generosity is inspiring!

## **Ms. Engram - Grade 6,7 and 8**

Grade 6E - In Language Arts we are reading the novel, Hatchet. Students are really enjoying the survival story and the parts of the book that link with our Flight unit in Science. In Science, we are looking at animal adaptations that allow them to fly and glide.

Grade 7 Language Arts - students are learning about different winter myths and fables from around the world.

Grade 8 Language Arts - Students are reading fables and myths, while creating their own fairytales for younger audiences that teach lessons.

Grade 7/8 CTF Sewing - A new batch of sewing champions are learning and developing their skills. Watch for more drawstring bags, pajama pants and facemasks in the coming weeks.

## **Mrs. Wilson - Travel and Tourism Complimentary Course**

The Travel and Tourism Complimentary Course is up and operating. The students have filled out a passport application and have started planning a trip to Africa. Once they have planned this trip, the students can choose their next destination. We are exploring the world and seeing what is available to us.

## Basketball Tryouts

Basketball tryouts are underway. We are having tryouts for both the boys and the girls to determine who is on our team. Games will start in January. Good luck to all athletes.



### Parkdale School

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