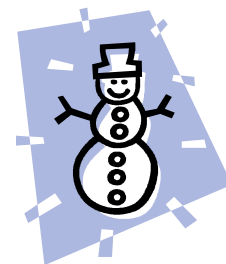




# 2C January Newsletter



I hope you had a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!! Thank you very much for all of the gifts and a BIG thank you to the volunteers who helped us with our craft day!

## WHAT'S IN STORE FOR JANUARY?

In **Language Arts** we will be writing an autobiography about our favourites toys creation. I am asking that the students bring in a toy that will fit on their desks as they work on their stories. Also, I ask that the toy not be a game or gaming unit of any kind! These stories are always a treat to read!

This week we are finishing up our Number Concepts unit in **Math** with the final quiz being some time next week. Our next unit will be Number Operations focussing on addition and subtraction.

In **Social Studies** the students are completing another inquiry based project around the idea of visiting one of three communities in Canada. In this project the students are required to think of the most important questions they would like to learn about their chosen community and then research that community using several resources. The goal of the project is to provide students with an opportunity to be in charge of their own learning and to encourage higher level thinking. The first projects were a great success!



In **Science** we are continuing with our unit of Exploring liquids through which we will be completing several experiments around the water cycle, different qualities of liquids, and how to protect our environment.

The focus of our **Religion** lessons this month will begin with a lesson on Epiphany. We will be talking about the Wise Men and the gifts they brought for Jesus. Each child is asked to think of a few goals they would like to set this year in honour of Jesus. After that we will return to our study of relationships and parables from the Bible.



There are also a few other important dates to take note of. We will be going skating as a class on **Wednesday Jan 20 at 9:45AM to 10:30AM** as well as **Wednesday Jan 27 from 9:45 AM to 10:30**. Please ensure that your child has brought both **skates and helmets** on these days. No student will be allowed on the ice without these two items. It is important to note that your child's helmet **MUST** be CSA approved, as no bike helmets are allowed nor

are they safe. As well, ensure that your child is dressed for the weather, (hats, mitts, toques, ski pants), as we will go out as long as the temperature is above -20. I am also going to ask for all hockey sticks and pucks to stay at home. This request is to ensure the safety of all the students who will be on the ice. If you are able to come and tie skates during these times please stop by the skate shack and come help out!

## A COUPLE OF NOTES



**Home Reading:** I can not stress enough the importance of your child reading each night! We are closing in on the second half of grade 2 in which your child should be progressing in their reading skills! Please take the time to read for at least 15 minutes every night! THANK YOU!

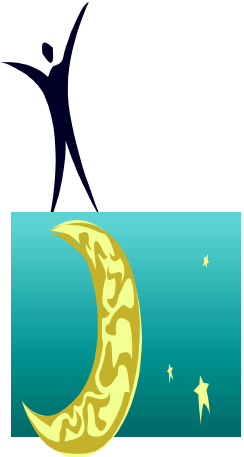
**Scholastic Book Orders:** This month's due date will be **Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>**. Please ensure you are sending a **cheque** made out to Scholastic Books with your child's order, not cash and please send the order form back by the due date requested.

## PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to all the parent volunteers who came out for the Christmas Craft Day as well as those who have helped out in and around the classroom! It is very much appreciated by both myself and the students! If you would like to volunteer please just send me a reminder in the agenda! Thank you again!!!

## DECEMBER'S SUPER-STAR STUDENTS

This area of the newsletter is dedicated to praises and thanks to certain students who achieved academic, friendship, and/or work habit goals for the month. I have picked certain students within the classroom who have worked hard to achieve their goals. Take a look for your child's name here throughout the year!



- ✓ *WOW!!!!!! I am so pleased with how hard my buddy **Raymond** has been working in class. He has done a tremendous job at staying focused and working hard to complete his work during classtime. I am so proud of you Raymond. Keep up all the great work!*
- ✓ ***Andrew** is the next to receive a star this month. Andrew impresses me day in and day out. He is always eager to figure out what we are learning and then the next day he will come back to school with even more information to share with us! I love how Andrew is always ready with a new math sentence for our calendar time and how he is always eager to complete his stories and research projects. Andrew- you are a very ambitious and hard-working individual.*
- ✓ *I love how hard my friend **Daniel** has been working on his own goals. Daniel- you have been showing great listening and I love it when I see you working so hard to complete your assignments in your neatest printing. You are a very kind young man and I am so appreciative of how much you want to help others out.*
- ✓ *My last star but certainly not least star goes to my beautiful student **Julia**! Julia brings so much sunshine and kindness into our classroom. She is such a considerate young lady who is always willing and wanting to include everyone and make everyone happy. I am amazed with how hard she works and how quickly she gets right down to the task at hand. Julia- all of those outstanding qualities are going to make you a super success in life!*

