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Principal's Message and Happy Holidays

Dear Parents/Guardians;

It was wonderful seeing so many community members at our Christmas Concert last week. Thank you for all the positive feedback we have been receiving. Our students are quite proud of themselves! As we move ever closer to our winter break, I would like to wish everyone a safe and joyful winter break!

We have a few important dates coming up:

Dec 18-22 Cherry Hill Spirit Week

-Dec. 18th Toque Day

-Dec. 19th Red and Green Day

-Dec. 20th Pancake Breakfast & Santa Visit

-Dec 21st Ugly Christmas Sweater/Carrol Singing

-Dec 22nd Movie Day

Dec 22nd Last Day Before Winter Break!

Jan 8th School Reopens, first day back

Jan 17th Art Starts Performance, The Birth of the CPR, 10:30

Thanks,

Shane Sliziak, Principal

School Cash Online

Parents and guardians, please be aware that **we are going completely 'cashless' after February 1st, 2017.** This means we will not accept any cash for school costs such as field trips, planners, etc. Following February 1st, the only way payment will be accepted is through School Cash Online. Debit and credit cards are accepted through the website once an account is created. A link to School Cash Online can be found on our website (cherryhill.mpsd.ca). If you are having problems signing up, please visit our secretary at the office and she will walk you through the process. Please make note that PAC events and fundraisers such as hot lunch will still accept cash.

Before School Drop Off and After School Pickup

In the last couple of weeks we have noticed a lot of students entering the school at the front door in the morning. A reminder, this entrance is only for our Kindergarten students in the morning. All of our other divisions must enter the school at their designated entrances at the side and rear of the school. Students are to remain outside their designated entrances until teachers retrieve them at the 8:25am bell. This morning routine is set-up to maintain student safety. As well, we are asking parents not to wait for their son or daughter outside their classroom before the end of the day. The reason

for this request is twofold. First, teachers have noticed their students have a hard time finishing end of day tasks when their parents are just outside the door. Second, as a school it is impossible to keep track of our visitors with multiple people waiting outside classroom doors. For student safety, our day visitors sign in to the office with a specific purpose for the visit. Parents waiting for their children are asked to wait for the end of the day bell before heading to their son or daughter's classroom. Thank you for your understanding regarding this.

Wednesday's Pancake Breakfast & Santa Visit

On Wednesday PAC will be preparing a pancake breakfast for our students. Because of the amount of pancakes that need to be prepared, classroom divisions will get their breakfast in sequential order, starting with our intermediate classes first. This means your son or daughter will receive their pancake breakfast anywhere between 9am-11am with our oldest students eating early and our youngest students eating late. Parents please plan accordingly by considering either a light breakfast or light packed lunch that day. As well, Santa will be helping out, delivering pancakes and visiting classrooms.

Cherry Hill Intermediate Athletics

We are proud to announce that our intermediate basketball team took 4th place at the district finals. Congratulations to everyone that participated. Cherry Hill was a very dominant team in the district. A special thanks to Coach Jen for her dedication to the team. In the New Year volleyball will start. Information will be sent home to parents of students interested in playing. As always, we are seeking more female players so that we can have two balanced teams. Coach Jen will be heading our Cherry Hill Volleyball team(s) so we are very excited for the season to begin.

A Special Thanks for School Donations

Our PAC put together some really great baskets for the gift basket fundraiser. These would not have been possible without generous donations from several community businesses and individuals. A special thanks to the Real Canadian Superstore, Safeway, Capilano Suspension Bridge, Mike Hopkins, Pro Oil, Sophie Rose Body Products, Grammy's Christmas Stockings and Gifts, Fantasy Baskets, Sarah Turcott, Excel Martial Arts, PRE Industries Inc., Zz Hair Cuts, Whimsically Charming, and Chris Taylor. I would like to thank all parents that donated cookies for our cookie and hot chocolate day and to those parents that have graciously donated their time to recent school events and fundraisers. Thank you!

Announcements from our Librarian

First, a reminder to please return library books. Overdue slips have been given out to students. Please check with your child if they have overdue books. If the books cannot be found or are damaged, then please bring the slip back to the librarian so the information in the library system can be updated. Second, green screen photos were taken in the library last week and the students had a blast. Students can pick up their photo on Friday off the bulletin board in the front of the library. Thank you and Merry Christmas!

Upcoming Events at Mission Public Library

Lego Club

Tues, Jan 9 to June 26, 3pm -4:15pm

We provide the LEGO, you bring your imagination!

Family Fort Night

Thurs January 25, 5:30-7pm

Come to the library for fort building, games, and reading by flashlight! Snacks and fort materials provided.

Hearts & Flowers Puppet Show

Tuesday Feb 13, 6:45-7:30 pm

Bring the one you love the best to the library for some sweet stories, songs, and a puppet show.

Travel Around the World with Green Screen

Friday, Feb 16, 2 - 3:30 pm

Dress-up in your holiday attire, choose your background and get your photo taken with Green Screen technology. All ages welcome.

Great Things at Cherry Hill



Our intermediate Cherry Hill Basketball team celebrating a 4th place finish at the District finals.



Students in the library using green screen iPad technology to create special effects pictures.



Division 7 showing off their talking sticks!



A solo guitar performance at our Christmas Concert.