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What's new at Andrew School



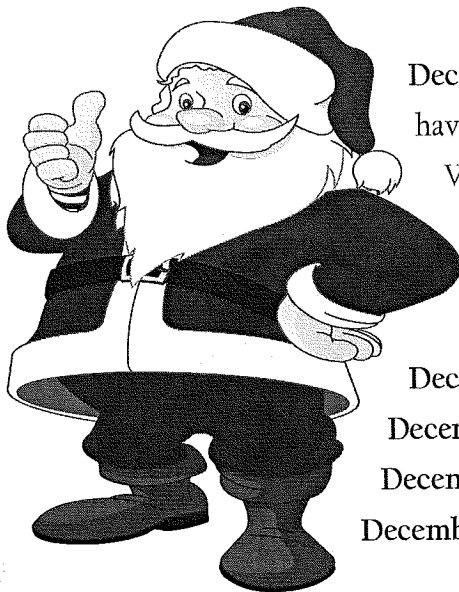
November 25, 2019

Principal's Message,

November has been a busy and exciting month just like October. We had our first round of report cards and interviews. I want to thank the parents and guardians who were able to make it out to interviews. We had a great turn out. Parents play a major role in educating their children and partnering with the school system. It is essential that we use the opportunities of student/parent/teacher interviews to talk about common goals and areas we can work together for growth. Assessment is always a complex topic and we as teachers use assessment for so many facets of our day. It is a tool we use to measure own effectiveness in instruction, our students' growth, and how we plan our lessons as they reflect curricular outcomes. As parents, please get involved in the assessment process by speaking with your children and their teachers about how progress is assessed, the meaning of an assessment, and how students can grow from assessment information. Assessments truly are about learning and should not be viewed as a one-time picture that ranks achievement. Assessment is ongoing and ever changing. While we publish report cards 3 times per year, please stay active in the periods in between as your child completes assessments in class when units are finished, large lessons wrap up, or teachers perform middle of unit check ups.

Sincerely,

Greg Cruickshank- Principal



December dates: Christmas season is upon us. This year we are very excited to have a Christmas Dinner in conjunction with our concert, which will be on Wednesday, December 18th. Below are a few dates to keep in mind for the upcoming month.

Nov 29th – No School for students

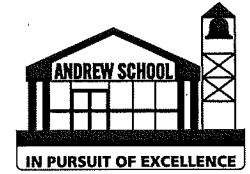
December 4th- Early Dismissal

December 6th – Miss Hamp's class field trip

December 16th – Teacher's Pet Whole School Art Project

December 18th- Christmas Concert

December 19th-20th Christmas Store run by Parent Group



Dear Andrew School families,

Under Alberta Education's new School Fee Regulation, schools must consult with parents prior to setting school fees for the upcoming school year.

Our next school council meeting will be taking place on January 28, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. During that time, I'll be sharing information about our current fee structure, posing specific questions about priorities, and asking you to provide your feedback as we plan for the 2020-21 school year. While many of these activities and services enhance students' educational experience, we want to ensure these fees aren't cost prohibitive for families. Specifically, we will be asking for input on the following:

- Optional courses and associated fees
- Field trips and associated fees
- Extracurricular activities
- Non-curricular travel (for example, ski trips and band camps)
- Non-curricular goods and services (for example, student union and yearbooks)

I understand not all families will be available to attend the meeting but it's still important we get as much input from the school community as possible. Following the meeting, materials will be shared on our website (andrewschool.ca) for your review, and an email address provided so you can submit a written response. School administration will use feedback provided to help determine fees for 2020-21, which will then be shared at the March school council meeting, posted to our website and shared via link through email. I look forward to hearing from you on January 28th.

Sincerely,

Greg Cruickshank M.Ed., Principal
Andrew School

CHRISTMAS FOOD HAMPERS

COLLECTIONS WILL RUN FROM NOV 18/19 – Dec 18/19

Deliveries will take place Dec 19/19

Donations will be given to our School Families

If we receive more than is needed for our families it will be given to the

Lamont County Food Bank

We will have a Pizza Lunch for the class that collects the most items per student
(after Christmas Break)



LETS HELP EVERYONE HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS THIS YEAR!!

PLEASE CHECK EXPIRY DATES BEFORE SENDING IN YOUR DONATIONS.

If you know a family in need or if you are in need of some assistance this Christmas please let us know. Either call Marie Andruchow 780-365-3501 or e-mail her at marie.andruchow@eips.ca.

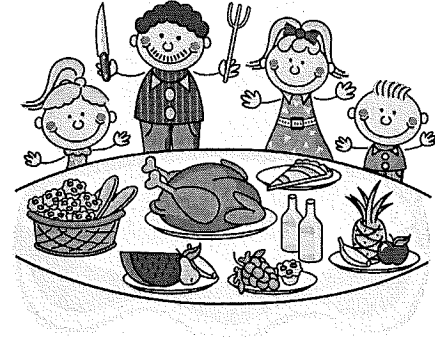
All families will remain anonymous

Christmas Dinner and Concert 2019

Dear Parents and friends,

We are excited to announce that this year we will be hosting a free Christmas Dinner meal prior to our concert evening on **Wednesday, December 18th, 2019**. Dinner will begin at 5:00 and go until 6:00. The concert begins at 6:30.

The following items are needed in order to make the dinner a success and donations would be greatly appreciated. This list of items will be updated as



they come in. This dinner is put together with community spirit in mind. Each student should do their best to contribute what they can to the meal. To that end, I ask that each student at minimum bring in two potatoes from home.

Items needed include:

Potatoes (2 per student)
 Frozen Peas & Carrots (4 large bags)
 Romaine Lettuce (35 heads)
 Caesar Salad Dressing (5 large bottles)
 Bacon Bits (5 bags)
 Soft Margarine (2 large rectangular tubs)
 Cranberry Sauce (5 cans)
 Miniature Marshmallows (5 large bags)
 Rice Krispies (5 jumbo boxes)
 Coffee Cream (2 1L cartons)
 Assorted plastic cutlery (180-200 each)

Stove-top Turkey Stuffing Mix (40 boxes)
 Dill Pickles (4 large jars)
 Whipping Cream (2 1L cartons)
 Plastic Cups (180-200)
 Croutons (5 bags)
 Juice Crystals (3 large containers)
 Paper plates (180-200)
 Sugar (1 4kg bag)
 Coffee (1 large can)
 Tea (1 box of orange pekoe)
 Cheddar Cheese (1 large block)

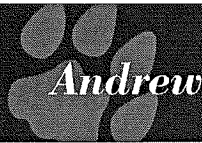
Napkins (180-200)
 Flour (1 4kg bag)
 2% Milk (4 Litres)
 5 midsize turkeys
 Eggs (4 Dozen)
 Styrofoam Cups (150)

Mr. Cruickshank can be contacted at the school at 780 365-3501 for further information with regard to donating food items or time. **Please have all donations in by the morning of Monday December 16th** as preparation will begin on that day.

Thank-you in advance for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Mr. Cruickshank and all of the staff of Andrew School



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Board of Trustees

For many, including myself, December is a time for reflection and gratitude. As we wind down 2019 and head into the winter break, I want to extend warm holiday wishes to all our students, staff and families on behalf of the Elk Island Public Schools Board of Trustees. I also want to sincerely thank of each you for the contributions you bring to the Division on an ongoing basis. You are our partners in education. And, because of that, we're making a difference in the learning experiences and opportunities of all students within EIPS.

We hope all of you enjoy this special time of year and have a chance to attend some of the many school concerts and special events taking place Divisionwide. To all of you, have a wonderful holiday season and a new year filled with joy.

We look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday, Jan. 6, 2020.

Merry Christmas and happy holidays,

Trina Boymook
EIPS Board Chair

Kindergarten Registration Starts Soon!

Is your child turning five on or before Dec. 31, 2020? If so, it's almost time to register for kindergarten.

Kindergarten registration opens for the 2020-21 school year on **Feb. 1, 2020**.

To help families prepare, Elk Island Public Schools has put together an online toolkit—available at www.eips.ca/kindergarten—to make the transition as smooth as possible. The kit includes information on registration, important dates, programming options, what to expect, eligibility, how to find your designated school, transportation and more.

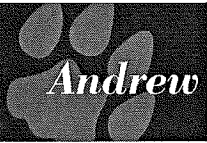
Additional information regarding kindergarten is available at www.andrewschool.ca

Returning Student Registration for 2020-21

Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) will once again conduct an online returning student registration process to confirm student registrations for the 2020-21 school year. Families of all returning students must complete the process to confirm the school their child plans to attend in the 2020-21 school year. Additionally, students who want to attend a non-designated school need to make that request through the returning student registration process—acceptance is based on available space. The 2020-21 returning student registration takes place between Feb. 1-29, 2020.

Access to the Returning Student Registration Form is provided through the [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#). If you don't have a PowerSchool Parent Portal account, you need to set one up before Feb. 1, 2020.

For more information contact the school directly.



Andrew School will close for the winter break at the end of the day on Dec. 20, 2019. The school will reopen on Jan. 6, 2020. During this time, if you have any school-related questions or concerns, contact Elk Island Public Schools (EIPS) Central Services at 780-464-3477.

EIPS Central Services Winter Break Hours

Closed December 25-January 1
Open January 2-3 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

*for location and contact information visit www.eips.ca.

From everyone at Elk Island Public Schools, we wish all of you a happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year.

Calendar

Please see our website andrewschool.ca for the most current calendar.

December 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 Kindergarten	3	4 Kindergarten Staff Meeting. 1:50 PM Dismissal 1:50 pm	5	6 Kindergarten Friday	7
8	9 Kindergarten	10	11 Kindergarten	12	13	14
15	16 Kindergarten Teacher's Pet- Dreamcatcher Activity	17	18 Kindergarten Christmas Concert 6:30 pm	19 Christmas Store 12:00 am	20 Kindergarten Friday	21
22	23 Christmas Break 12:00 am	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



January 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Kindergarten	7	8 Kindergarten Staff Meeting 1:50 PM Dismissal 1:50 pm	9	10 Kindergarten Friday	11
12	13 Kindergarten	14	15 Kindergarten	16	17	18
19	20 Kindergarten	21	22 Kindergarten	23	24 Kindergarten Friday	25
26	27 Kindergarten	28	29 Kindergarten	30	31	

There is FREE public skating at the Andrew arena every Sunday from 12-3 pm