

ÉCOLE PUNTLEDGE PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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WEEKLY E-BULLETIN – December 12 – December 16

Dear Puntledge Families,

Highlights from this week:

- ★ EDAS coming together and getting the love out! Merci Mme. Chantal
- ★ Light Walk: thanks for coming out and enjoying the lights and a cookie.
- ★ Grade 7 Craft Fair. Wow do we ever have some talented artists and crafters.
- ★ The snow creations that our students have built over the last few days
- ★ Thanks to our Fun Food Friday Crew and all our volunteers at the school.

Parking Lot:

We have fewer spaces available in the lot right now due to the snow (the rain is helping as I write this). Please don't park behind staff cars as some of our staff have to leave right after school for meetings and other events in the district.

Also, the drop off/pick up lane needs to be a drop off/pick up and go lane. Please do not leave your vehicle unattended. If your child is not ready to be picked up, exit the lot and circle around. If you want to walk your child to their class, please consider arriving a few minutes early parking in the neighbourhood and walking to and from your meeting spot.

PAC presents: École Puntledge Park Winter Fête!

Wednesday December 14th from 5:30pm-8:00pm in the Puntledge school gym. Admission is free!

Step into a cozy, winter gathering and warm up among Puntledge friends and families! This is a time to connect as a community and enjoy the festivities including snacks, games, face painting, crafts, a winter sing-along, family photo booth, and more!

What to bring: Your favourite festive nut-free snack to share (please list ingredients) and a mug to enjoy coffee, tea, or hot chocolate with marshmallows. Cash donations are gladly accepted.

Please note that due to capacity issues this will be a ticketed event. Tickets are available at the office. We will update everyone once we are "sold out." A limited amount of tickets will be available at the door. We will also need several volunteers to help the event run smoothly. If you are able to help, please sign up here:

https://signup.com/go/LgsLBRg

Hope to see you there!

Christmas Hampers:

Classes are putting together 14 hampers for families in need in our greater community. Teachers from those classes have sent out information. Contribution are due December 13th.

Kindergarten Online Registration:

There will be an information night for families about the SD71 Early French Immersion program at Ecole Robb Road and Puntledge Park Early French Immersion on Dec. 15 at Ecole Robb Road at 5:30.

Online Registration for Sept. 2023 will begin after the winter break for students that will turn 5 before Dec. 31 2023.

Siblings of students in programs of choice (French Immersion and Indigenous K) will have priority for registration, as long as you complete the Expression of Interest online form.

The district will confirm all kindergarten registration dates soon and I think the registration process will occur early January.

PAC News:

1. Link to the PAC notes from the Dec. 7,2022

WAG: (Week at a Glance)

Monday: Dec. 12

- EDAS Island Deliveries
- Boys B-Ball practice 2:30-4:15

Tuesday: Dec. 13

- Hot Lunch Sushi
- Girls Basketball Practice 2:30-4:15

Wednesday: Dec. 14

- Div. 3 and 12 to Lake Trail for a presentation 11:30-12:00
- Winter Fete 5:30-8:00 PM (see above)

Thursday: Dec. 15

• Early French Immersion K info session at Robb Road 5:30pm

Friday: Dec. 16

- Report Cards come home (portfolios are live now)
- Last day of school before the Winter Break

Upcoming Events:

- Dec. 16 Jan. 2 Winter Break
- Dec. 30 Next Weekly-E-Bulletin comes out
- Jan. 3 First day of school after the winter break

Reminders:

SPACE program:

It stands for "Supportive Parenting for Anxious Child Emotions". This is a program recommended by our local child psychiatrist, Dr. Coxon. Our district has paid for the use of these videos and Puntledge wanted to share them with you. This program is intended for parent education. Form our Ms. Mawhinney "I started watching the videos and they are good!"

To access the course: https://atparentingsurvivalschool.com/courses/enrolled/1462602

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PS. If you would like to have the worksheets printed please email me:

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Holiday Season from the Counsellor's corner:

As we get closer to the Holiday Season, excitement can increase for our children as can stress for the adults! Consider participating in this webinar (Dec. 6th at 6:30pm) or reading the newsletter in the link below. Boundaries are such an important tool for all of us :

Holiday Stress: Setting boundaries you can live with.

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_PLm1NYKXRLSNZ8BB7GKj0w

Home for the Holidays Newletter

Sick Children:

We continue to ask that all families complete a daily health* check for their child. Students and adults should not come to school if they are sick. Please stay home.

*A health check means a person regularly checking to ensure they (or their child) are not experiencing symptoms of illness (including but not limited to COVID-19 symptoms) that would limit their ability to participate fully in regular activities before coming to school to prevent spread of communicable diseases, such as COVID-19, within the school settings.

Take care of each other out there.

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Purpose: Working through education to improve the lives of those in my community.