

# Miracle Beach Elementary School Newsletter

Hello Miracle Beach Families,

Here are this week's information items. New items are in **Yellow**.

## Week at a Glance

December 11	December 12	December 13	December 14	December 15
Yard Clean Up – Mr. Nelson's Class  Fruit and Vegetable Program - Oranges  Noon - Intermural Soccer	STEM Visit from UBC – (Ms. Gravel, Ms., Cadden, Ms. Stride, Ms. Berg, Ms. Nesbitt, & Ms. Ralph's classes)  8:45 - Field Trip – Ms. Nesbitt's Class  Noon – Choir  Noon - Intermural Soccer  2:30 – EA Meeting	Noon - Intermural Soccer  2:30 - MyEd Session for Staff  6:30 – PAC Meeting	Soup Day  Noon- Leadership  Noon - Intermural Soccer	School Spirit Day – Fancy Dress Up  Hot lunch  Noon - Tone Chimes  Noon – Gym Closed  Open Gym – Cancelled Due to Concert Setup
December 18	December 19	December 20	December 21	December 22
Yard Clean Up – Mr. Nelson's Class  Gym Closed  Concert Dress Rehearsal	Recycling - Leadership  1:00 – Winter Concert (Primary Students)  2:45 – Health and Safety Meeting  6:30 – Winter Concert (Primary Students)	School Spirit Day – Fancy Dress Up  10:00 – Holiday Tea for Seniors	Soup Day  Noon- Leadership	School Spirit Day – Holiday Dress Up  Field Trip – Ms. Gravel, Ms. Cadden, Mr. Biegler & Mr. Nelson's Class – Ice Skating  Field Trip – Ms. Gailloux & Ms. McKay's class – Swimming

Upcoming dates to note:

- January 8 – First Day Back
- January 10 – PAC Meeting
- January 22 – Grade 4 Students to Symphony
- January 26 – Summaries of Learning Sent Home (Primary Students)
- February 16 – Pro-D Day – No School

## **Winter Concert – December 19<sup>th</sup>**

Get ready for a magical musical showcase at Miracle Beach Elementary! Our Winter Concert is just around the corner on December 19<sup>th</sup>, featuring two spectacular performances for your enjoyment.

- **1:00 PM Concert:** - Join us for a delightful afternoon filled with festive tunes and heartwarming performances by our talented primary students.
- **6:30 PM Concert:** -Experience the enchantment again in the evening as our primary students take the stage for a magical night of winter wonders.

This year, the Winter Concert is dedicated to our primary students, promising an evening of joy and seasonal spirit. But don't fret, intermediate students have a musical treat in store for the Spring!

Mark your calendars, invite friends and family, and let the melodies of the season fill your hearts with holiday cheer.

## **Strong Start**

Strong Start is active at Miracle Beach! Our program runs Tuesday mornings from 9am-noon. Come join us for lots of fun activities such as art, playdoh, songs, and stories. We also visit the gym every Tuesday morning from 11:05-11:40am.

The program is open to all ages from birth to pre-Kindergarten and is meant to provide an opportunity for families to connect with their social community. It also helps provide for a seamless transition for those children entering Kindergarten each September as they become acquainted with their school and familiar faces.

For more information on Strong Start please visit the district webpage at <https://www.comoxvalleyschools.ca/strongstart/>

We hope to see you soon 😊

## **Foodbank Donations**

'Tis the season of giving, and we're excited to announce our Foodbank Donation Drive supporting the Black Creek Foodbank is running from December 6<sup>th</sup> to December 21<sup>st</sup>. Your generous contributions will make a significant difference in supporting local families during the holidays. Your donations directly impact our community, spreading joy and ensuring that everyone experiences the warmth of the season.

How you can contribute: Drop off non-perishable food items, toiletries, and essentials at the designated collection point at the front entrance of the school.

Thank you for making a positive impact in the lives of others.

**PAC News** - PAC business has resumed!

Our next meeting will be on December 13th where we will finally be giving the Committees the opportunity to report! Please join us in the library at 6:30pm to hear from the following Committee Coordinators:

Kate from Fundraising  
Mike from Events  
Val from Indigenous Connection  
Joanne from Policy and Process  
Jodi from Fun Fair  
Jackie from Mental Health

If you are interested in getting involved with any of these committees, please come to the meeting and speak to the Committee Coordinator who will let you know when the next meeting is scheduled.

Note: We will NOT be discussing the constitution and bylaws at this meeting. We will be holding a special meeting on January 24th for that purpose. Stay tuned for more information.

**Music Program Fundraising**



## Support our Music Programs!

No sorting or standing in line required. Just bring in your clean refundables in a CLEAR or BLUE plastic bag. Go to the Express printer (at the depot) and print off a label using the school phone number. Attach a label to each bag and drop it in the bin! All money will go to support the Performing Arts programs at Miracle Beach Elementary!

1. Use a clear or blue bag
2. Print off a label using 250-337-5114
3. Attach the label
4. Leave the bag in the bin



## Music

The Miracle Beach Choir submitted a video to the CBC Music Class Challenge. Check out their performance on the CBC YouTube Channel! [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NSFnOKO2\\_w](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NSFnOKO2_w)

A HUGE thank you to Jim Gailloux, John Martin, Doug Whiteford and Sam Lytle for their help with the recording of the video!

### Winter Concert

Miss Boersma will be updating her website this weekend with all the concert music for students to be practicing at home. Please encourage your child to be practicing their songs at home. Here is a link to her website. <https://jboersma4.wixsite.com/music>

Look under Christmas Concert tab and Teacher name for the songs your child is working on.

Looking for donations of PVC pipe. Approximately 1 inch diameter. Minimum length of 2 feet in length.

### Upcoming Choir Performances

- Winter Concert – December 19 @ 1pm and 6:30 pm
- Holiday Tea for Seniors – December 20 @ 10 am (if you would like to help out, please let Miss Boersma know)



**Miracle Beach Elementary Open Gym** – Next open gym will be January 12th

**A PLACE TO  
CONNECT AND  
HAVE FUN**

**Open Gym**

- Play Together
- Explore gym equipment
- Fun
- Build community
- Indoor activities

2:35 going until 4:30 join us and other parents with your kids and enjoy some open gym time.

**Every FRIDAY  
230 to 430  
Guardians MUST Attend**

**Emergency School Closure** - There will be occasions when schools must temporarily close due to inclement weather, power outages or for emergency reasons. The superintendent may make the decision to temporarily close any or all district schools/ offices when the safety of students and staff may be compromised. Parents, students, and school district staff will be informed through the school alerting system, email, Facebook, Twitter & Instagram, and by notifying local media by 6:30 a.m. – at the latest. No announcement by 6:30 a.m. indicates that schools are open and operating as usual.

If there is no announcement on the school district website /social media, please be sure to listen to one of the local radio stations:

- 97.3 FM – The Eagle
- 98.9 FM – The Jet
- 100.7 FM -The Raven

Please keep in mind that rent bank services are available **province-wide**. For residents outside of the CVRD - information can be found at [www.bcrentbank.ca](http://www.bcrentbank.ca)

# COMOX VALLEY RENT BANK

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**The Comox Valley Rent Bank** is a service that provides financial assistance to qualifying community members who are struggling to pay their rent and are at risk of becoming homeless. **Individuals and families who are experiencing housing instability due to a temporary financial crisis, can apply for an interest-free loan to pay rent, essential utilities, or a deposit to help secure new housing.** Rent banks can also help facilitate access to supports such as financial literacy, debt/credit counselling, landlord-tenant mediation, vocational supports, legal advocacy, and other services that contribute to financial and housing stability.

**If you or someone you know is facing housing instability due to a temporary financial crisis please do not hesitate to reach out!**

**The Comox Valley Rent Bank would not be possible without the support from local organizations and businesses. Our rent bank is supported by BC Rent Bank, a project of Vancity Community Foundation funded by the Province of BC.**

Pictures









Feel free to email me at [zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca](mailto:zale.darnel@sd71.bc.ca) if you have any questions or comments.

Respectfully,

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