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Dear Borden Bruin Families,

This update has information on:

- Staffing update
- Dress for the Weather
- Reporting Student Absences
- Christmas Concert Update
- SCC Christmas Lunch Banquet – Dec. 6 @ noon
- Curling
- Thanks
- Secret Santa

Staffing Update:

We welcome Heida Johnson to our Borden Bruins team. Heida will be teaching grades 3 and 4 until the end of January. Ms. Johnson is filling Rachel Baerg's position. We wish Mrs. Baerg all the best as she begins her journey into parenthood.

We also bid farewell to Mrs. Mikituk at the end of December. She is retiring after 18 years of service at Borden School. We thank her all she has done for us. We will miss her friendly and helpful nature, but we are sure her days will be filled with gardening, hunting, swimming, travel, and family.

Dress for the Weather:

Winter has hit. Please dress your child/ren in warm shoes, warm jackets, warm mitts and toques, and please remember to label them. Students need to be prepared to go outside every day. **DRESS WARM!**

Reporting Student Absences:

With absences increasing due to illness and family vacations, please use Edsby to enter these absences prior to 8:30AM for those occasions. If you are having trouble accessing Edsby, please give us a shout by emailing angelena.lukan@spiritsd.ca or calling 306-997-2090.

When absences are entered into Edsby, both the teacher and the office can view them. At Borden School, we always encourage two points of contact. Teachers are very busy and may not have time to view their emails, Edsby, or phones until the end of the day, and there are times when they may not be in the building. When you are not able to use Edsby, kindly remember to let both your child's teacher and the office know of absences through email or by calling the school.

Christmas Concert Update:

This year's Christmas Concert play is an adaptation of the beloved Christmas Classic, Home Alone! K-6 students will kick off the concert by bringing some holiday cheer with a variety of songs and poems before the play. We will finish the concert off by singing Christmas Carols lead by the grade 5, 6, 7's. Doors open at 6:00pm with the show beginning at 6:30pm. See everyone on December 19th at the Borden Community Hall!

SCC Christmas Lunch Banquet – Dec. 6:


Every year the SCC organizes a Christmas feast for students, staff, bus drivers, and special guests. We come together in the gym to share our meal together at noon. Students look forward to wearing formal clothing and celebrating the excitement of the season.

An Edsby message was sent earlier this week from the SCC Committee Member organizing the event. Please refer to it if you can lend a hand. Thank you.



BSSC:

The holiday season is upon us, and the BSSC is thrilled to share an exciting lineup of festive events for the students to enjoy! Here's what we have planned:

Friday, December 13th

 **Christmas Stories & Hot Cocoa** – Students will gather with their care partners to read holiday tales and enjoy delicious hot cocoa.

Monday, December 16th

  **Red & Green Day** – Wear festive red and green attire and enjoy a Christmas movie during lunch!

Tuesday, December 17th

 **Ugly Sweater Day** – Dust off those fabulously tacky holiday sweaters and show them off!

Wednesday, December 18th

 **Christmas Character Dress-Up & Escape Room** – Come dressed as your favorite holiday character and participate in a fun, Christmas-themed escape room challenge!

Thursday, December 19th

 **Santa Hat Day & Cookie Decorating** – Don your Santa hats and join your care partners for a fun cookie-decorating activity.

Friday, December 20th

 **PJ Day & Floor Hockey Tournament** – End the week in cozy pajamas and cheer on your peers in a lively floor hockey tournament!

We can't wait to celebrate the joy of the season with our school community.

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Curling:

Curling season is upon us! The grade 7 – 12 students will have the opportunity to participate in curling this year. The teams will be split into junior (grade 7-9) and senior (grade 10-12), and we will practice out of the Radisson curling rink. Also, just a friendly reminder that for school events, such as curling, families need to adhere to Prairie Spirit's Administrative Procedures for volunteers and for driving students other than your own.

Luke Walker will be taking the lead on coaching this season with Gwen Dyck assistant coaching throughout the season.

You will receive an invitation to the Edsby group if your child/ren signed up for curling. In the group, you will find more information and the practice schedule.

Thanks:

Big thanks to all those who participated in our Mom's Pantry and Purdy's Fundraisers. Our outdoor spaces and yearbook club will benefit from the proceeds we procured.

Secret Santa:

Each classroom and teacher will decide if they will have a Secret Santa gift exchange. Please reach out to your child/ren's teacher for more information. Thank you.

Dates to Remember:

Monday, December 2 - Teacher Preparation/PD Day (no classes)

Wednesday, December 4 – Wendal Clark Hot Lunch

Friday, December 6 – K-12 SCC Christmas Banquet

Thursday, December 19 – Christmas Concert

Friday, December 20 - Last day of classes before winter break

Monday, January 6 - Classes resume

Thursday, January 9 – Last Day to Order Baba's Perogies Hot Lunch

Wednesday, January 15 – Baba's Perogies Hot Lunch

Monday, January 27 – Family Literacy Day

Thursday, January 30 – Last Day to Order Booster Juice

Friday, January 31 - Teacher Preparation (no classes)

Wednesday, February 5 – Booster Juice Today

Friday, February 7 – Kindergarten to Grade 12 Progress Reports Published

Friday, February 14 - Last day of classes before February break

Thursday, February 20 – Last day to Order Dairy Queen

Monday, February 24 - Classes resume

Wednesday, February 26 – Dairy Queen Hot Lunch

Thursday, March 6 – Grade 7-12 Ski Trip to Table Mountain

Thursday, March 6 – Last Day to Order Hot Dog lunch

Friday, March 7 – Day in Lieu of Parent Teacher Interviews (no classes)

Monday, March 10 - Teacher Preparation/PD (no classes)

Wednesday, March 12 – Hot Dog Hot Lunch

Thursday, March 20 – Last Day to Order Domino's Pizza

Wednesday, March 26 – Domino's Hot Lunch

Thursday, April 3 – Parent Teacher Interviews (3:30 – 8:30)

Thursday, April 17 - Last day of classes before spring break

Monday, April 28 - Classes resume

Friday, May 9 - Teacher Preparation (no classes)

Monday, May 19 - Victoria Day (no classes)

Sunday, May 25 – Marafun Race

Friday, June 13 – Grade 12 Graduation

Thursday, June 26 – Kindergarten to Grade 9 Progress Reports Published

Thursday, June 26 - School year ends for students

Friday, June 27 – Grade 10-12 Progress Reports Published