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### **Notes from Admin**

Our December has been filled with the sounds of the season – songs, dances, glitter, laughter, and fun. In the spirit of the season, and continuing to be involved in the community, our students all walked over to Spruce Manor in December. They made signs, sang songs, danced, waved, and smiled! What a gift to be so close to Spruce Manor. A couple of our classes raised money to contribute to the purchase of Ipads to be used at Spruce Manor, so that residents could have virtual access to families.

There have been two elves who have taken up residency at PVS. They have been treating the students to some fun over the past 10 days. It has been an absolute blast to see so much curiosity and many smiles! Our Virtual Christmas Concert was a success! We will be sending a youtube link for you to enjoy at home with your family. Wishing you a safe, fun filled Christmas!

As long as we know in our hearts what Christmas ought to be, then Christmas is!

Elf Coates and Elf Heath

### Kindergarten Fall 2021

We are continuing to compile our list for students who will be attending Kindergarten in the 2021-22 school year. Children born in 2016 and who will be 5 years of age on or before Dec. 31, 2021 are eligible to begin Kindergarten in the fall. This is important information for planning programs, budgeting, and staffing for the upcoming school year. If you know of friends or neighbours who have K aged children, please share this information with them.

### Free Online Glee Club Class Little Jammerz will be running a Free Online Glee Club Class for students that love to sing and perform in Grades 1-5 Students will learn to sing & perform pop songs with cool dance moves. We focus on pitch, breathing, and performing techniques The class will be taught live online using Zoom. Date: Tuesday January 5, 2021 Time: 4:15pm-4:45pm To Register Go Online to: www.LittleJammerz.com/January5 **Register Early!** For assistance or any questions please contact: info@littlejammerz.com **Upcoming Events**

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- January 4<sup>th</sup> Classes Resume
- January 15<sup>th</sup> Dress up Favorite Character Day
- January 29<sup>th</sup> No School

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### Grade 5MC Classroom Highlight

What a whirlwind December we have had. This year again looked a little different, but we made the best of it! Ms. Mailloux and the kids put on an amazing performance of the nativity scene for our Christmas concert, and we sang Mary's Boy Child for our song. The kids did not have the same amount of time to practice that we normally would, but it came together amazingly fast and they were terrific. We have been doing many ELA activities focused around the theme of Christmas and we even did a reading mystery called Once Upon a Crime: Rescue Rudolph. It has been an amazing start to our school year with an amazing group of kids!

Here are some of the student's favorite family traditions and holiday songs. We hope everyone has a great holiday and a Merry Christmas.

Lee Coates and Erica Mailloux

Favorite Christmas Traditions and Songs by 5MC

"My family Christmas tradition is making a gingerbread house." - Kadence

*"My favorite Christmas song is Mary's Boy Child because it was introduced in my favorite year- grade 5." - Hudson* 

"My family tradition is to put all our names in a draw, we pick partners, and you buy a present for that person. We hide a pickle in the tree and whoever finds the pickle gets to hand out the presents."- Saige

*"My favorite song is Grandma Got Runover by a Reindeer because it makes my mom and I laugh. – Matthew* 

"My Christmas tradition is every Christmas eve we go to my Grandma and Grandpa's to open gifts with our cousins. Every year my grandma makes us Christmas Pajamas." Shayda



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"My Christmas tradition is to relax at home and have other people over." - Gavin

"My favorite song is The Twelve Days of Christmas because it is fun to sing." - Ellyce

"My family Christmas tradition is that my brother, sister and I go to our grandma's house with our cousins to make ornaments and have a sleepover." - Jett

"My family Christmas tradition is we all eat chips and popcorn for dinner." - Austyn

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"My Christmas tradition is me putting the angel on top of the tree and going to see my family in Regina." - Bailey

"My favorite family tradition is watching Star Wars on Christmas Eve and eating chocolates and licorice." - Nathan

"My family tradition is getting together but this year we will have a sleepover at my grandma's house and order Chinese food on Christmas Eve." - Indiana

*"My favorite Christmas family tradition is going sledding every year. I have been using my GT a lot recently." - Connor* 

"My Christmas family tradition is to have my sister and brother-in-law over in the morning and then we go to my grandmas for supper." - Austin

*"My favorite Christmas song is Last Christmas because me and my mom listen to it." - Smiley* 

"My family tradition is every Christmas eve we go to the enchanted forest and drink hot chocolate while looking at the lights." - Emerson

"My family tradition for Christmas is we always go to my grandmas on Christmas eve and stay the night at our grandma and grandpas." - Mason

"My family Christmas tradition is going to church and wearing Santa hats as we decorate the tree." -Kaitlyn

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"My family tradition is to put up the tree, play with our train set, and we always watch the grinch while we eat pizza! On Christmas eve we open a present." - Ty

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"My family tradition is making chocolates with my mom. We make mint kind, white chocolate and pure chocolate." - Ryder

"On Christmas my family goes to my grandma's house for Christmas and we do a circle of very pretty gifts like sparkly angels and nutcrackers." - Mya

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### **PVS School Community Council Update**

Thank you to the families that participated in our Selfie Challenge.

At our last meeting held on November 25 the council received an update on school activities and discussed several matters related to school and council activities. Our next meeting will take place at 6:30 PM on January 21. If you wish to attend or add something to the agenda, please contact the SCC Chair.

On December 10, the SCC did not hold elections for the 2020-21 council as we only received 2 nominations and had 5 vacancies. The new 2020-21 council includes: Melissa Buhler, Scott Burant, Kerri Gates (acclaimed), David Maier, Damaris Rempel and Carlena Scriven (acclaimed for 2nd term). Each term is for two years.

Thank you to Anna-Marie Zoller, who has served 4 2-year terms, Tracy Wright, who has served 3 2-year terms, Jennifer Derksen and Tara Mayor, who each served 1 two-year terms. Their contributions to the council, school and community are very much appreciated! February is our annual staff appreciation week. We are seeking parent volunteers to contribute snacks and treats. If you are interested in providing an item just let Scott Burant or David Maier know or message us on our Facebook page.

We wish all our families and school staff a Merry Christmas and relaxing holiday.

#### Scott Burant, SCC Chair

SCC Members include Melissa Buhler, Scott Burant, Kerri Gates, David Maier, Damaris Rempel and Carlena Scriven. PVS Representatives include Lesa Heath, Lee Coates and Rona Roth.



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