

December 2023

### **UPCOMING DATES:**

### DECEMBER:

- Nov. 27 Dec. 1 Scholastic Book Fair
- Dec. 1 Progress reports sent home
- Dec. 1 SCC Movie Night
- Dec. 5 SCC Hot lunch Domino's
- Dec. 14 Kinder Play Day 3:45-4:45pm
- Dec 18 22 SLC Spirit week
- Dec. 19 SCC Hot lunch Subway
- Dec. 21 Holiday concert 7:00pm Forest Grove Community Church
- Dec. 22 School wide movie field trip
- Dec. 22 Last day of classes before Winter break

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Blue = Kindergarten days

#### JANUARY:

- Jan. 8 First day back from Winter Break
- Jan. 16 SCC Hot lunch Family Pizza
- Jan. 30 SCC Hot lunch Boston Pizza
- Jan. 31 NO SCHOOL Teacher Prep Day

### Its not Goodbye – but see you later:

Farewell and Best of Luck to Mr. Galapon and Mr. Holoien.

These two are just wrapping up their internship this month. Staff and students have enjoyed getting to know them and wish them the best of luck in their future teaching jobs!



## Sledding:

Soon the snow will arrive, and students will be able to go sledding at recesses. In previous years, students brought sleds from home, but as our school has grown, we no longer have room to store sleds in the boot room. We do have a bin of sleds for students to use. As you can imagine, they get well-used, so if anyone is interested in donating used or inexpensive sleds, we would sure appreciate it! For safety reasons, the sleds need to be either the foam ones, or the "crazy carpet" style. Thanks!!

### Holiday Concert:

Save the Date!

December 21 at 7 pm will be our school-wide holiday concert!

We're looking forward to trying something new this year; our SCC is sponsoring the rental of a larger auditorium to accommodate our growing school numbers! Thanks so much to Forest Grove Alliance Church for hosting our holiday concert!

Tickets are available to purchase on RYCOR. There is a limit of four tickets per family, so buy yours today!

We will make a few adjustments with working out of a different venue, but the holiday concert will still be a wonderful community event that gives all of our students a chance to shine on stage and will include a choir and dramatic production.

As we make plans for hosting our holiday concert on December 21 at Forest Grove Church, our staff and SCC are looking for volunteers to help with greeting and organizing families and classes.

Thanks so much for supporting our school community!

https://volunteersignup.org/HHTY4



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December 22<sup>nd</sup> school wide field trip!

To celebrate all the students' hard work on the holiday concert, SCP School is going to load up the buses and head to Magic Lantern/Roxy Cinema for a field trip on the last day of school before Winter Break!

The day will look something like this:

9-10:15 - classroom activities

10:15 - recess

10:30 - Early lunch

11:00 - noon recess

11:30 - tidy up

12:00 - load buses

12:30-2:30 - movie

2:30 - load buses

3:00 - arrive back at school for dismissal



A digital field trip permission forms will be going home through Edsby next week. Please return by Dec. 11.

### SCC Corner

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at the school. Parents are welcome to attend!! If **you're** interested in the meeting minutes you can find them on the SCPS website.

Hot Lunch Program 2023-2024:

The December dates are:

Tuesday December 5 – **Domino's** Tuesday December 19 - Subway

All hot lunch orders and payments are processed via <a href="www.healthyhunger.ca">www.healthyhunger.ca</a>.

If your student is new to SCP School, please visit <a href="www.healthyhunger.ca">www.healthyhunger.ca</a> to set up your account. (\*Note-select Casa Rio as your city). For returning students, teacher/grades will need to be updated. All orders MUST be placed five days prior to the hot lunch date. The website does not allow for late orders, nor do they provide any refund within five days prior.

We appreciate our amazing teachers, staff and students who assist with hot lunches.

If you have any questions, please contact the school.

What the SCC has been up to:

- With the generous support of the SCP families, the SCC was able to help support our expanding extra curricular programs.
- The SCC is excited to host our back to school pancake breakfast first day back after the break.
- We are also looking into purchasing a few more iPads for the school.



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#### SLC:

December Spirit Week

Dec 18 - Monday - Christmas Sweater / Christmas Hat

Dec 19 - Tuesday - Christmas Cookie / Red and Green Day

Dec 20 - Wednesday - Santa Teachers / Kids Elf Day

Dec 21 - Thursday — Christmas Concert Day No Theme

Dec 22 - Friday - Pajama Day / Comfy Cozy



### House League Activities at SCP:

Our kiddos continue to play and have fun during the Wednesday and Thursday lunch hours. We are always impressed with the level of teamwork, competitiveness, and sportsmanship being showed by our Spirits!

In December we will transitioning from Floor Hockey to an outside winter activity. We were planning on tobogganing on the hill but Jack Frost is holding back the snow.

Stay tuned on EDSBY for our December Spirit Sport Days event.

#### Extra-Curricular:

Basketball season is underway. SCP is very fortunate to have two teams competing in CVAC this season. Our Spirit kiddos are learning new skills, having fun, and showcasing our school throughout the region. Thank you to Mr. Debert, Mr. Galapon, and Mr. Pietersma for stepping up to coach our Spirit. Also thank you in advance to our parent drivers for helping transport our Spirit safely to and from the variety of events.

In January we will see the return of our after-school grade 3-6 Spirit Skills Camp for Basketball. The program will be led by Mrs. Chohaniuk, Mrs. Baker, and Mrs. Dahl from January 17 till March 6 on school days. The first practice will be January 17 from 3:30-4:45pm and a permission form will be sent home when we return to school in January.







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### Cold Weather Gear:

Cold weather is a reality for much of the year in Saskatchewan.

Our school wants our students to be able to enjoy being outside for recesses, weather permitting. We also want students to be safe on their bus/car ride to and from school. Please consider the temperature and weather conditions when assisting your child with clothing for the day.

- We expect all students to have outdoor winter gear once colder weather hits. This should include mitts, hat, neck warmer, boots, coat, ski pants.
- Most winter days will require a bare minimum of coat and mitts for our grade 6-8 students, but K-5 will be expected to gear up for each recess.
- Ski pants are required for students playing on hills.
- On colder days, we will require all students to wear full winter gear.
- For students of all ages, a change of clothes is helpful if clothing get wet or need an additional layer.

We check the weather conditions before each recess. There will be times when the weather and the wind chill are deemed too cold for outdoor recess. Everyone will stay in on those days. Otherwise, students are expected to go out for recess.

#### Bus Cancellations:

When weather is extreme, and/or when temperatures (with wind chill) hit -45, schools typically remain open, but buses don't run. If weather/road conditions improve, buses will run at the end of the school day. You can check the website <a href="https://www.spiritsd.ca/buses/">https://www.spiritsd.ca/buses/</a> for updates between 6 and 6:30 am and between 12 and 1 pm. Please feel comfortable making the decision that's safest for your family and let the office and your child's teacher know if your child will not be at school.

Parent Pick Up and Drop Off

Morning Drop-Off - When buses are not running, parent vehicles can enter through the north entrance on Baker Road, forming a single file drop-off line parallel to the sidewalk in front of the school. Please have students exit the vehicle curbside adjacent to the front doors. Vehicles can then proceed south and exit east to Range Road.

Afternoon Pick-Up -

Loading Zone pick-up - 2:20-3:20

Based on buses, students can be picked up during the following times:

2:20-2:30—Darlene's bus

2:30-2:40—Jared's bus

2:40-2:50**—Miles'** bus

2:50-3:00**—Janice's** bus

3:00-3:10—**Leanne's** bus

3:10-3:20—parent-driven students

Vehicles can line up adjacent to the sidewalk, facing in a southern direction and a staff member will send your child out to the vehicle. Please make sure your child is able to recognize your vehicle.

\*We recognize that this might not be convenient in all situations; please contact the office if you need to make alternate arrangements.



A huge shout out to crumbl Cookies in Brighton, for supplying snacks for the PSSD interns from the U of S. It was so appreciated!



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#### From the Office:

SCP School Handbook:

Check out our SCP School Handbook on our school webpage! You'll find lots of helpful information about busing, field trips, the milk program....and much more!

Click on the book to check out our newly updated School Handbook!



Click me!!

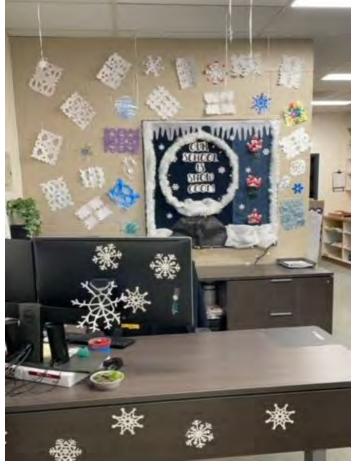
November newsletter activity:

The office is always a flurry of activity – but this month there are flurries abound!

Congratulations to this month's winners:

Maddox Luke Allie Mehryn Norah Cohen Grady

Zara





December newsletter activity:

Here we go again!!

'Elf YoursElf' and return 'you' to the office before December 21! Join all the staff elves in the front entry!