



## DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

### Upcoming Events:

#### **Dec. 2 - 11: See A Need, Fill A Need**

The Christmas holiday season is upon us! With the season comes the thought of giving. As in years past we encourage students and families to support our See A Need, Fill A Need campaign. WES will be partnering with the WARMAN FOOD BANK in support of their Christmas Hamper Campaign. WES will be accepting **cash** donations from December 2 –11<sup>th</sup>. The total amount of money collected will be donated to the Warman Food Bank to purchase grocery gift cards to supplement their hampers. In years past, Warman Elementary has gone above and beyond in the giving department. We would love to make a big difference in the lives of others this holiday season!

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#### **December 12: Winter Family Festival**

Mark your calendars for this very popular seasonal event coming up on Thursday, December 12. Join us for a variety of fun and seasonal crafts and activities hosted in classrooms throughout the school from 6:30-7:30PM. Followed by our very popular FIREWORKS show across from the school at 7:45p.m. A HUGE thank you to Affinity Credit Union for their sponsorship of your fireworks display!



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#### **December 12: SRC Christmas Bake Sale**

Buy something yummy for only \$1.00.

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#### **December 17: Pizza Hut Hot Lunch for Grades 1-5 and Kindergarten B classes**

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#### **December 18: Pizza Hut Hot Lunch for Kindergarten A classes**

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#### **December 19: Grade Two Christmas Concert**

Join us as our Grade 2 classes present *T'was The Night Before Christmas*. Performance times are at 1:15 pm and 7p.m. Doors will open 30 minutes prior to performance. We encourage those who can attend the afternoon performance to do so as we anticipate the evening performance being quite full.

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#### **December 20: SRC Christmas Spirit Day**

Wear your Christmas or holiday sweater...feel free to be as festive as you like!

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#### **December 21- January 5: Christmas Break – No School**

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#### **January 6: First day of classes following the Christmas break.**

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## Additional News Items:

### One School, One Book

If you ordered a copy of *Gangsta Granny* for our ONE SCHOOL ONE BOOK Book Club, the book will be sent home with your child over the break as well as a reading schedule so that you may get a jump on your reading. Questions about the chapters will begin following the break.

### Thank You Nursing Students

We bid farewell to the cohort of University of Saskatchewan Nursing students who have been working in our school each Monday-Wednesday as part of their Community Health course. We are thankful for their help with classroom presentations on various health topics and going outside to encourage play with students at recess breaks.

### Grade 5 Basketball

Mr. Tebay and Ms. Dycer will be starting noon hour basketball for boys and girls respectively starting in January. It is a great opportunity to learn some fundamental basketball skills and have some fun. Interested students should listen for announcements in the New Year for more information on the weekly dates.

### Indoor Track

Indoor track will begin in January. Stay tuned for more information following our Christmas break.

### Lost & Found

Our lost and found boxes are very full! Many of the items are light sweaters and jackets from the fall. Students and staff have been reminded to check the lost and found boxes. Parents are encouraged to come and claim their children's missing items as we will be bundling up these items for charity before Christmas.

### Labeling Winter Clothing

Families spend considerable money on warm winter clothing each year. At school we find that many jackets, boots, etc are identical as they are likely bought at the same stores. Please help us help you by ensuring that you label jackets, boots, and other items with your child's name or initials. IT makes things so much easier to sort out when things get mixed up.

### Heathy Hunger

Your School Community Council has organized monthly hot lunch days through Healthy Hunger. Profits from this initiative go into Council fundraising projects like the recent picnic tables installed on the playground.

If you already have an account please proceed to the Health Hunger website ([www.healthyhunger.ca](http://www.healthyhunger.ca)) and log into your account. Please ensure that you select the city/town as Warman and the school as Warman Elementary School. Once you have added your child(ren) you are then able to place your order. If you are new and have not created an account, please proceed to the Healthy Hunger website and click the green Learn more button under Parents and then sign up a free account.

- Once you are in your account you will notice that we have set up most of the hot lunch dates for the year. If you would like to proceed and order all of your lunches available to date you can. You can also come back into your account at any time and order or make changes to your orders.
- Nutritional Guide available upon request
- Kindergarten Parents: please ensure you are ordering for the date your child is attending school.

If you have any questions about the lunch, please contact Denaye Merz at [dmerz@sasktel.net](mailto:dmerz@sasktel.net). You can also call Healthy Hunger if you have any questions about the site at 1-800-818-6260.

## **Cold Weather Busing**

As we approach winter we want everyone to be aware of the cold weather busing policy for Prairie Spirit School Division: Buses will not run if the combined temperature/wind chill factors result in a reading of -40 degrees Celsius or below at 6:00 a.m. Buses that do not run at the regular time in the morning will not to run at all on that same day even if the temperature warms up. You can find the information at [www.spiritsd.ca](http://www.spiritsd.ca) -click on Transportation and then the Bus Cancellations tab.

## **Parking Reminders**

- \*Please do not park where the pylons are set up in our parking loop. We need to keep this area clear for student access.
- \*For the safety of everyone please make sure students and adults are crossing at the marked crosswalks.
- \*Drivers please take extra caution when driving in front of the school and be aware that things will slow down during the beginning and end of school times.
- \*We ask that all parents obey the parking and drop off signs at the front of the school and in our drop off lane. The bylaw officer will be issuing tickets for those continuing to park in non-parking areas and stopping in bus lanes during marked hours.

## **Before and After School Program**

A Before and After School Program is available at Warman Elementary for the 2018/2019 school year. The program is run by The Boys and Girls Clubs of Saskatoon.

To register your child please visit the website.

[www.bgcsaskatoon.com](http://www.bgcsaskatoon.com)