December 2021 Baldonnel News Updates

Student Pictures

I would love for parents to email me pictures of students for our foyer bulletin board. I am looking for pictures of students in leadership roles, doing their home reading or homework, helping out around the house with chores, or siblings, or animals, anytime you see positive moments. Pictures could be of students participating in a sport, family event, anything you would love to share. You could also send through our Baldonnel Facebook page as well.

Christmas

Can you believe we are already in December! Christmas holidays are coming fast! We all hope you have a wonderful holiday and enjoy your family time together.

<u>Dates of importance</u>: Student Christmas Carols will happen on December 7th, 9th, 14th and 16th. Students will get together in the gym and enjoy some Christmas singing. I will video and put up on Facebook of the carol singing. At this time the only way to share with parents is via video on Facebook.

December 17th: Christmas Sweater Dress up day. Skating in Taylor in the afternoon.

December 20th: Christmas break.

January 4th: School re-opens after Christmas

Food Drive:

I was listening to CBC radio this morning and they were talking about food banks, food requests, Christmas hamper requests etc. CBC was talking about the needs in our province. I called the women's resource centre today to speak about what they need and the best way to support them.

We are going to go ahead and have a drive for the Women's Resource Centre so we can help people in need in our community. It is going to look a bit differently. We are going to collect specific types of items that they are low on. Please know that we respect and understand if this is something you cannot do at this time; that is no problem at all. Whatever we get will be helpful. The following classes have been assigned specific category of items for collection. Also, if you want to donate an unwrapped new toy that would be wonderful. Please check expiry dates of any donated products

Mrs. Miller's class: Canned Fruits and or canned Vegetables

Ms. Gallagher's class: Canned Fruits and or Vegetables

Mrs. Merrill: Canned Soups and or canned meats

Mrs. McRae's class: Hygiene products such as deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, body wash. They **do not** need tooth brushes or toothpaste at this time. No bars of soap either as they have all they need.

Ms. Emes: Any boxed foods, Kraft dinner, sidekicks, stuffing, whatever comes in a box or bag.

Mrs. Olsen's class: Any boxed foods or canned meats.

Raffle Draw:

We are having a raffle draw. A few years ago, our Gr 5/6 classroom with the guidance of Mrs. Pope, made a beautiful blanket and pillows. Due to Covid we haven't been able to do Christmas concerts and such, so it has been a bit difficult to figure out what to do as a fundraiser. We have decided this year that for every \$2.00 a student or adult brings into the office, they can put their name on a paper and into a draw box. We will draw the winner, on Thursday December 16 and all the proceeds will go to the Women's Shelter. Please see our Baldonnel Elementary School Facebook page to see the blanket and pillows.

Thank you in advance for helping us support our local communities.

https://www.facebook.com/sd60baldonnel

School Framework Goals

Our second Framework goal will be sent out to parents sometime during the next week. Please take the time to look it over. Our school community is very important and together we are a team supporting each child.

Enjoy your holidays and thank you for your continuous support,

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