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A MMH MINUTE

The monthly newsletter for Mike Mountain Horse
Elementary School



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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hello MMH families!

As we enter the holiday season, there are a number of fun and exciting activities planned to engage everyone in the holiday spirit. We are looking forward to welcoming you to our 2nd Winter Window Walk and caroling event on December 14. We hope everyone stays well throughout the holidays and enjoys a restful and relaxing time with family and friends. Happy Holidays!

IMPORTANT DATES

December 9: Tinsel Time Day
December 14: Winter Window Walk and
Caroling event
December 16: Ugly Sweater & Sock Day
December 20: TU/TH, 1, 2 Hot Lunch
December 21: M/W, 3, 4, 5 Hot Lunch
December 23: Pajama Day
Last Day of Classes
January 9: Classes Resume
Pajama Day
January 12: School Council 7:00pm
January 25: Honesty Assembly

Winter Window Walk

Mike Mountain Horse will once again be celebrating the holiday season with our 2nd Winter Window Walk! On December 14, families will be invited to the school between 5:30 and 7:30 to view classroom window displays. Come take a stroll around the outside of the school and enjoy our winter window displays. After a cool stroll around the building, feel free to pop in the front door for hot chocolate, candy canes and caroling in the gym!



School Wide Caroling

December 19th - 9:00am

December 20th - 1:00pm

December 21st - 9:00am

December 22nd - 1:00pm

December 23rd - 9:00am

All classes will meet in the gymnasium for 15 - 20 minutes of caroling as a school community.

November Spirit Assembly

Congratulations to Mrs. Lacanilao's grade one class for winning November's Spirit Cup! Mrs. Lac's class showed their school spirit by dressing up on Superhero day! January's Spirit Cup will be awarded on January 25th at our Honesty Spirit Assembly!



Seven Sacred Teachings

Our Sacred Teaching for January will be focused on HONESTY. Students who demonstrate the characteristics of courage will be recognized at our next Spirit Assembly on January 25.

Sock It To 'Em



Caretakers, Maintenance, and Support Staff of Lethbridge and area schools are still collecting socks to be donated to local charities and those less fortunate until December 9. If you are able to donate a pair of new, unworn socks help us make someone's winter a little warmer this year!

Indigenous Bingo Evening

Thank you to our Indigenous Education Team for offering a Bingo night! It was an evening filled with love, laughter and family!



MMH is Caring and Sharing

As is tradition, our school will be participating in a school wide service project throughout the holiday season, supporting Angel Tree. We are encouraging any families of MMH who are able to consider donating to those who are less fortunate in our school and around our community. We will be collecting both unwrapped Christmas gifts and gift cards for families in need until Monday, December 13th . Gifts will be donated to the Angel Tree project, and possibly local shelters for women & children depending on the need and response. Donations can be sent to school with your child at any time and submitted to their classroom teacher or to Mrs. Baker.

BOOST Learning Update

As you are aware, the provincial government announced in June of 2022 a one-time continuation of grant funding for schools to mitigate some of the learning disruptions caused by the Covid-19 pandemic and its impact on our students. As part of the application process to access this additional funding, all grades 2 and 3 students and some students in grade 4 in Lethbridge School Division participated in literacy and numeracy assessments during the month of September. All grades 2, 3, and 4 students will be re-assessed in May and results will be shared with Alberta Education. We are referring to our program as, "Boost" and are pleased to report that the program will begin on Monday December 12 for qualified students. The first 8 weeks of intervention will focus on Numeracy and the following 8 weeks will focus on Literacy. Schools will be communicating with specific parents if students are qualified to participate in this program. Additional teachers have been hired and trained to provide this support and will be working with small groups of students on a regular basis. We are excited about how these targeted intervention programs will be used to support student learning!



Happy Holidays

From the Mike Mountain Horse Staff

**MIKE MOUNTAIN HORSE ELEMENTARY WILL BE CLOSED
FOR THE CHRISTMAS BREAK: DECEMBER 24-JANUARY 8.
CLASSES RESUME ON MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023.**