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VIEW ROYAL ELEMENTARY NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT DATES TO NOTE:

Friday, December 8	Fun Food Day - Subway Sandwiches
Friday, December 15	Senior's Tea - 1:00 pm & Report Cards Home
Tuesday, December 19	Dress Rehearsal for Christmas Concert - 1:00 pm
Tuesday, December 19	Evening Christmas Concert - Students A - L
Wednesday, December 20	Evening Christmas Concert - Students M - Z
Friday, December 22	School Wide Gingerbread House Making
December 22 - Jan 7	Winter Break
Monday, January 8	Return to School
Saturday, January 13	Bottle Drive

PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS:

Report cards are coming. Breathe deeply! I know the temptation is to first look at the grades. "A's, B's, and C's" are used in the older grades and the more descriptive terms of "Not yet meeting / Approaching / Meeting / Exceeding expectations" are used in the lower grades. While this gives parents and students a rough idea of how a student is performing, it is not the whole story. Descriptions or pictures of what the class is doing are important to set the context for the term, as are comments illuminating their effort, determination, and respect for their learning process as well as the learning of others. These work habits are as important as grades. It is difficult to put everything into a report card, so if you have any questions about the report or the progress of your child, please contact your teacher. Reports will be out on December 15th.

Mr. Jorgensen

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU READ THE TWO ATTACHMENTS REGARDING A FUN EVENT WITH THE VIEW ROYAL FIRE DEPARTMENT AND A REQUEST SEEKING HOST FAMILIES FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

View Royal Out of School Care



We have some spaces available for our Winter Camp fun, January 2 - 5. Our program is open each day at 7:30 am and closes at 5:30 pm.

You can choose to register for all 4 days or by day dependent on your needs.

The cost is:

4 day week \$185.00 per child

OR

\$50.00 per day per child

If you have questions or would like to register

Call us at 250-744-2718 (Brianna or Christina) or email us at attendance@viewrovalosc.com.

"THE THINKING OUTSIDE THE BOX GROUP"

IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE.....

The "Thinking Outside of the Box Christmas Market" will take place on

Thursday December 14 from 9am-12:30pm in the school gym.

These students are members of the Thinking Outside the Box program and have been working on marketing projects since the beginning of the school year. At least 10% of all money collected will go to the students' charity of choice. Parents are invited to send their child to school with a dollar or two (no more than \$5 please) to spend at the market. Parents are welcome to come too and check out what the students have been doing and to make purchases for stocking stuffers.

Thank you for your continued support.





Internet/Social Media Safety and Digital Literacy Education 101 for Parents

by the White Hatter

Presented by your PAC the White Hatter will be presenting to our Grade 4 and 5 students on a number of topics around how to be safe using the internet and social media. The goal is to help parents to be pro-active in gaining understanding of the power of digital technologies and mobile communications and how to mitigate the risk and discourage high risk behaviours. This evening presentation will give you, the parent, some tips and tools to help navigate this new frontier with your child(ren).

Topics Included but not limited to:

- Internet Stats and Facts
- What are our kids doing on-line
- The four step process to Internet Safety that all parents should know
- Decoy apps kids are using to hide their interactions
- How the Internet predator uses "Social Engineering" to build rapport with your child

Check out this link for a complete listing of all topics that are included in the presentation. http://www.personalprotectionsystems.ca/internet/internet-safety-parents.html

Please follow this link to register for the event https://goo.gl/forms/xuzbIDbhaEDuWcmx2 and to indicate if childcare if needed.







Take the three book challenge.

As we head into the holiday season, many families appreciate a bit of help with gifts. And what can be a better gift than a bag of 3 books for babies and toddlers? Every month 1000X5 pops 2400 books in 800 gift bags.

If each child in View Royal Elementary School brought in 3 gently used books for babies and preschoolers, we would collect 954 books, enough for gift bags of books to 318 children.

Let's make it happen.

Drop books for babies and preschoolers off in the pink bin in the front foyer of the school.

PAC News!

Follow us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/viewroyalpac
Or visit our website www.vrpac.com

You will find up to date information about what the PAC is up to, and what is happening in our school.

Christmas Concert Comfy Couch Raffle -

December 19th/20th

Before the concert(s), your PAC will be selling tickets for your chance to win the BEST SEATS IN THE HOUSE, complimentary beverages and snacks to enjoy while you child(ren) perform. Tickets will be \$2 each or 3 for \$5.

Volunteers needed to sell tickets





Seniors Tea - December 15th

If you can bake some goodies for this event we would greatly appreciate it. There will be a table outside the gym on the morning of Friday December 15th for drop off.

Please email tarriebath@yahoo.ca if you can help out

*Parents please remember there is limited space for our special guests. If you choose to

attend, we ask that you stand along the outer walls of the gym leaving seats open.



Bottle Drive - January 13

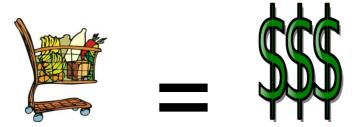
Time to start saving bottles from Christmas parties!

Money raised at the bottle drive goes directly into supporting our school.



Glenwood Meats - 1245 Parkdale Drive in Langford

Glenwood Meats has offered us an amazing fundraising program! When you shop at Glenwood Meats, please hold on to your receipt. Glenwood meats will provide us 10% of the total purchase back! There will be a box located in the office for receipt drop off. Thank you to Bal Fisher for this wonderful opportunity!



Did you know that you can raise money for our school, just by buying groceries?

Sign up for a Thrifty Foods smile card and 5% of your grocery bill will be donated to our school.

Contact <u>fundraising@vrpac.com</u> to order your card.

We have Victoria Royals tickets for sale!

We have tickets available, as well as vouchers for any game.

These would make a fantastic Christmas gift, or a great way to celebrate a birthday!

Buying tickets from the PAC saves you \$4 per ticket, and raises money for our school.

This is one of our school's biggest fundraisers. Go out and enjoy a game!



You can order tickets from Mo Jessa at royals@vrpac.com

Next PAC meeting:

We will be taking a break for December next meeting is:

Wednesday January 10th 6:30 in the school library

All parents are welcome.

Free babysitting is provided by the PAC