Jennie Emery Elementary

December 2023 Newsletter

IMPORTANT DATES

- December 1: PD Day No School
- **December 4:** Winter Sweater Day
- **December 8:** MW Kindergarten
 - 8:45 am Assembly
- December 15: TT Kindergarten
- December 19: Christmas Concert M-Z

December 20:	Christmas Concert A-L		
December 21:	Pancake Breakfast & Bingo		
	PJ Day		
December 22:	No School		
Dec 23 - Jan 7:	Winter Break		



AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Volleyball

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Thank you to all our wonderful grade 3 and 4 students who participated in volleyball. It was incredible to watch your passion and knowledge of the game grow.





Basketball

Please keep your eye on the newsletters and classdojo for our next club, basketball, coming up in January. The focus will be on skill development through games and challenges.

Basketball Club will be available to all grade 1, 2, 3, and 4 students. Practices will be once a week after school and end by 4:30 pm. In January, a letter will be sent home to families for those who are interested in participating.



We are a school division of "wondrous variety" and the Diversity Equity and Human Rights committee is creating a multicultural cookbook to recognize, share and celebrate our diversity. All Palliser employees, students and families are invited to submit a recipe that reflects their cultural/ethnic background - something that your family eats when they

celebrate together. It might be a special dish for birthdays, Christmas, Easter, Hanukkah, Diwali, Eid al-Fitr or any other special occasion that your family celebrates. The recipes will be compiled into a cookbook, bound, printed and distributed to the library of all schools who contributed even one recipe. It will also be available to be purchased, at cost, in the spring of 2024. This is a huge and exciting undertaking and one that we are hoping everyone will consider contributing to. If you are interested in sharing that secret family recipe that you love, you just need to fill out the form at the link below. The deadline to fill out the form and submit a recipe will be FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2024 so that we will have time to compile and print them by Easter.

The google form asks for a small description of the recipe and why it's important in your family. There is another section for the recipe itself. We would also appreciate any pictures (but not needed).

Here is the link to the Multicultural Family Celebration Cookbook form <u>https://forms.gle/hj2RyUhVrfCZB2hG7</u>



ATTENDANCE

To enter your child's attendance please use Edsby.

If you don't already have it, please register at: https://pallisersd.edsby.com.

Please feel free to contact Nicole or Kristy in the front office if you have any questions.

LOST & FOUND

As is normal for this time of year, our lost and found is quickly getting fuller. Please remember to have your child check for lost items, or feel free to come to the school and have a look yourself, the rack is in the front entrance. In order to accommodate space, we donate all items a few times each year. Thank you for your understanding in this matter All items currently in the last and found will be donated by December 22nd.



Christmas Concert information

Jennie Emery Elementary School is excited to present



Tracking Santa

On Tuesday, December 19th and Wednesday December 20th at 6:30 PM each night.

All students from kindergarten to grade 4 with last names beginning with the letters M-Z will perform on Tuesday evening. Students from kindergarten to grade 4 with last names beginning with the letters A-L will perform on Wednesday evening. Students are asked to be in their classrooms at 6:15 PM on the night they perform. The front doors of the school will open at 6:00 PM. Gym doors will open for seating at 6:15 PM.

Parents and family and friends are also welcome to join us for the daytime performance that will be held at 1:30 PM on their respective dates.

Regardless of their last name, students in the Early Learning Program will be performing during their regular day of class at 9:30 AM (morning classes) and 1:30 PM (afternoon classes). Parents of ELP are welcome to join us for their child's performance.

More information will be sent home on classdojo or from classroom teachers closer to the concert with any other needed details. Can't wait to see you there!



Friends of Jennie Emery

HOT LUNCH INFORMATION:

Tuesday, December 13th: Franco's
Orders due Tuesday December 5th

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?

 We have a treasurer position available, and would love your help! This position would start as a shared position and move into the full treasurer position next year. If you are interested please contact foje.treasurer@gmail.com

> Online Store Now Open! JEES Spirit Wear

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HTTPS://JENNIEMERYSTORE2023.ITEMORDER.COM/

The store will be open until **10pm on Sunday**, **December 10th**. Please contact Public Image Co at **sales@publicimageco.ca** for any inquiries.

December 2023

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
				1 JEES PD Day
4 Winter sweater day	5	6	7	8 MW KG Assembly
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18	19 Christmas Concert	20 Christmas Concert	21 Pancake Breakfast & bingo PJ Day	22 No School
25 Christmas	26 No School	27 No School	28 No School	29 No School



The Kinette Club of Coaldale will be hosting a Christmas shopping event for kids on December 8th, 2023 from 1-7 pm at the Coaldale Community Centre.

Children will be able to shop for their parent/caregiver with the help of a Coaldale Kinette or volunteer (no parents allowed !). Kids will be sent home with to their chosen gift to surprise their parents/caregivers with at Christmas.

All gifts are new and priced under \$10.

Please reach out to <u>coaldale.kinettes@gmail.com</u> or visit the Kinette Club of Coaldale on Facebook with any questions.



JENNIE EMERY ELEMENTARY TOY DRIVE



Our school is excited to participate in the Angel Tree Campaign again this year! Jennie Emery will be participating in a toy drive from November 22nd -

December 19th. It is not necessary to take an angel tag from the tree before sending a toy, but you are welcome to if you would like one. The Angel Tree Christmas Campaign began 31 years ago in 1992. In 2022, Angel Tree gave gift bundles to over 3,400 children. Only with community support and the spirit of generosity and kindheartedness can Angel Tree, quite literally, make miracles happen. We will need a lot of help this year. Lethbridge Family Services estimates the number of babies, children, and youth in need of support to reach over 3,800 for this year.

We would like to collect **NEW**, **unwrapped** toys for kids ages 0-18 years old. If you are able to help out, please send a toy to school between November 22nd and December 19th. We will have an Angel Tree set up in the foyer to collect donations.

> Some suggestions are listed below: **Babies**: blocks, bathtub toys, soft-cloth books, rattles, or teething toys

Elementary School Kids: Barbies, arts & crafts, books, PlayDoh, Lego, board games (like Monopoly), puzzles, stuffed animals, farm animals, Hot Wheels cars or trucks, action figures, dinosaurs, science kits, fidget toys, Minecraft items, DC Comic/Marvel action figures, art supplies, UNO, Minecraft, Pokémon, magnetic and Kinex building sets, draw your own comics, Anime figurines, Pokémon, NHL items, Lethbridge Hurricanes items, Ripley's Believe It or Not books, Guinness World Book of Records

Middle School/High School kids: gift cards of any kind (movies, clothing stores), bath & body items, hair tools, journal and pen, art supplies, puzzles, key chains, backpack, stainless steel water bottle, candy, and snacks

If you wish to participate in this project, simply have your child bring a new, unwrapped toy to school. They can then place it under the Angel Tree which will be located in the atrium. The toys will then be picked up before Christmas and distributed to children in need. What a heart-warming way to begin the holiday season!

If your family would like to make a monetary donation instead, please click on the link below.

https://www.lfsfamily.ca/content.php?p=88

Thank you everyone for participating in this project! Merry Christmas!!

APPS TO KNOW ABOUT

