



Prince Street Elementary School Newsletter-December, 2023

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Dates to Remember:

- December 1th—First Term Learning Reports Go Home
- December 4th—Dental Clinic Commences
- December 14th—December Concert--*Storm Date: Dec. 15th*
- December 19th—Christmas Dinner (Storm Date: 21st)
- December 22nd (Friday) --Last Day of Classes for 2023
- January 8th--First School Day of 2024
- January 8th—Breakfast Program Resumes

Christmas Dinner:

-Our annual Christmas dinner with all the trimmings will be held for lunch on **Tuesday, December 19th** (Storm Date: December 21st) The meal will be served in the Gym. **Students will be required to bring their own beverage.**



-Thank you Trinity United Church for, once again, providing this meal. It is something we all look forward to at Prince Street.

- If you have ordered food on the programs, the meal will be sent home with students and he/she can have it for supper.

Final Day of Classes in 2023!

-Students will be served pizza and a holiday, mini cupcake during lunchtime on the last day of classes—Friday, December 22nd. Homeroom teachers will be in touch later in the month regarding dietary restrictions/concerns. Students will be dismissed at their regular dismissal time.

-We would like to take a moment to recognize and express appreciation to our crossing guards and bus drivers who ensure the safety of our students on a daily basis as they walk/travel to and from school.

Holiday Spirit Days:

Merry And Bright Monday – December 18th

Wear your favorite holiday colors.

Winter Wonderland – Wednesday December 20th

Wear your cozy winter cloths.

Festive Friday -- December 22nd

Wear your festive pyjamas.

Music News:

-You are invited to attend our Winter Concert in the Gymnasium at **10:00 a.m. on Thursday, December 14th** (*Storm Date: Friday, December 15th*). The concert includes all students in the following grades: KA (Mrs. Wildey); KB (Mrs. MacDonald); 1A (Mrs. Sulis); 1/2Z (Mrs. Mighty); 2A (Mrs. Courtney); 3A (Mrs. Joudrey) and 3/4Z (Mrs. Sirois) along with a presentation from the Glee Club and PSS Rock Band. This concert will last approximately 30-45 minutes. Everyone welcome to attend!



-Grades 4A, 5 and 6 will be performing at a concert in the spring. They will have the opportunity to view the Winter concert at the afternoon rehearsal on December 13th.

-Mrs. Davis and our Human Rights Choir will be performing at the PEI Human Rights Commissions Open House on Monday, December 11th at the Stratford Town Hall.



Physical Education Update:

An After-School Sports Club will begin on Monday, **December 4th and continue on December 11th and 18th**. Students in Grades 4,5 &6 who were interested in attending have received Permission Forms.

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Christmas Families:

If you can help some of our families by easing the burden of the holiday season's added expenses with a monetary donation or purchase of gifts, please contact Mr. Anderson, school counselor at gzanderson@edu.pe.ca or call the school office (902-368-6950).

Home & School:

-Concert Bake Sale-The Home & School committee is planning a bake sale to be held the day of the Winter concert (Thursday, December 14th at 10 a.m.) Your nut-free donated items may be dropped off to the school the day before or the morning of the concert. Please direct questions to Tanya, your Home & School President, at tanyahughes@eastlink.com.

-Best Seats In The House-Would you like a chance to win 2 seats in the FRONT ROW at your child's concert to be held on December 14th? Cost of each ballot is \$1 with a limit of 5 ballots per family. Please watch for the ballot sheet which will be sent home with students next week.

-The December newsletter from the PEI Home & School Federation has been posted on our Home & School page.

Leadership Students:

Twelve of our Grade 6 students were selected to be part of our Student Leadership Team. Students will have a variety of duties throughout the year. Some include helping with school fun days; assemblies, Special Olympics, etc.

Early Closure: Please ensure your child knows what to do in the event of an early school closure. With the number of incoming calls we receive, **calling home or work is not an option.** Announcements will be on the radio so please stay tuned if stormy weather is expected. Information will also be posted on the school's website.

School Delays/Cancellations:

- When school is cancelled due to a storm day, the day of the cycle moves forward. For example, if it is supposed to be Day 4 on a Monday, and Monday is cancelled, then Tuesday will be Day 4.

- When there is a one-hour delay in the morning, everything will be moved ahead an hour. Outdoor supervision will begin at 9:00 a.m. and the bell will ring at 9:20 a.m.

-Breakfast club is cancelled when there is a one-hour delay.

Winter Clothing:

Students need to be outfitted with proper clothing to endure the colder elements during recess. If you need some help acquiring winter clothing, please contact the school office—we may be able to help.

Kindergarten Registration 2024-2025:

Children must be 5 years old by December 31, 2024 in order to be eligible for Kindergarten. Please contact us in order to complete a registration form. Proof of child's age (i.e. health card) and verification of home address (i.e. utility bill) are required.

Remembrance Day Assembly:

On November 10th a school-wide assembly was held to pay tribute to those who lost their lives fighting for our freedom. Thank you to the readers; classes for preparation of wreaths; Glee Club for their beautiful voices; and Mrs. Davis, Music Instructor. Special Guests: Cathy MacDonald, trumpeter; Warrant Officer Ian Ross, Lieutenant Commander Greg Davis and Police Chief Brad MacConnell. Six of our students (Navel cadets) escorted our guests. The cadets participated in the ceremony at the Cenotaph on November 11th including the laying of the PSS wreath.

Water Bottles:

We don't have water bottles. Our filling stations are designed for water bottles. Please ensure your child(ren) has/have this item for use at school each day.

Eye See... I Learn Program:

A reminder brochure regarding this program has been sent home to parents/guardians with students in our kindergarten classes. Please visit www.peioptometrists.ca for further information or Sally Dunn, Resource Teacher (902-368-6950).

Dental Clinic:

Information was sent home with students on November 6th regarding the upcoming Dental Public Health Preventative Clinic. Dental Health staff will begin screening students on Monday, December 4th. For more information, please visit <http://www.healthpei.ca/dentalhealth> or phone 902-368-5460.

Pediculosis:

Checking children(ren)'s heads often for lice will help to deter the spread. The holiday sleep overs, etc. seem to be an invitation to welcome these unwanted guests! Please notify the office if your child has an infestation.

Thank You!

-We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for supporting our clothing, coupon booklet and book fair school fundraisers.

-Thank you to Bulk Carriers for the donation of yogurt for our Breakfast Program; Parkdale-Sherwood Lions Club for their donation towards Christmas Families and Wanda for her contribution of handmade hats and mittens.

-A HUGE thank you to our Breakfast Program volunteers. Breakfast will be served up to and including the final day of classes (December 22nd) The Breakfast Program will resume on Monday, January 8th.

Closing Note:

-On behalf of the staff at PSS, we extend wishes for an enjoyable, safe Holiday Season and look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, January 8th!

