



December Newsletter



A Memo From The Principal

"And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins."

Greetings! It is hard to believe that Christmas is around the corner and the end of 2024 is upon us. There are many dates to take note of in this newsletter and a few reminders. With the return of the snow and cold we want to remind students to come to school dressed for the weather, (Students with no boots will be kept inside.) Indoor recesses will be called when the temperature is below -20, otherwise the students will be outside for recess. Unstructured play time and fresh air improves student focus and learning.

Many Thanks!

Thank you to all the parents/grandparents who have been coming in to volunteer or are busy doing baking and helping with the fundraising - we could not do it without you!



Bus Driver Appreciation

HBA wants to show our bus drivers our appreciation for the hours they put in, the roads and weather conditions they need to tackle, but most importantly that they transport our children to and from school and the gym safely. **We're asking for our students to bring in toonie for us to get a small gift and card for our drivers! Deadline is Dec. 16th.**



Christmas Food Hamper Donations

HBA is also collecting food and toiletry items for five families in our school community. Please send a food or toiletry donation with your child. Gift cards to Walmart or Superstore are also welcome. **Deadline is Dec. 13th.**

School Prayer Requests

- Health and safety over the holidays
- IT support
- Donations for playground



WYSAX UPDATE: report cards went home last week! The transition from Sycamore to WYSAX continues - next will be parent and student logins!

Reminder! School fees are past due - please make arrangements as soon as possible. Bus fees are due on the first of the month.

Playground Fundraising Update!

Thanks to all of the fundraising efforts our first payment has been made! **We still need \$8000 before June** - keep pushing the GoFundMe link and reach out to your churches, friends and families! Donation button is live! <https://gofund.me/a8c5a2b5>

Important Dates:



- Dec. 4** - Gr. 7-12 PE students - Curling - Grant Fuhr Arena - pm
- Dec. 5th** - Gr. K-4 All Star Playland field trip
- Dec. 11** - Gr. 7-12 PE students - Curling - Grant Fuhr Arena - pm
- Dec. 13** - Food Hamper donation deadline and *Candy Gram purchase deadline* - see attached
- Dec. 16** - Bus driver appreciation donation deadline
- Dec. 17** - Gr. 1-12 - Tubing at Sunridge Ski Hill - pm
- Dec. 19** - **Dress Rehearsal** - All students will be bussed to the hall to practice at 12:00pm
- Dec. 19** - **Early Dismissal - 2:30 pm**
- Dec. 19** - **Christmas Concert** (more info below)
- Dec. 20** - **No School - PD Day!**
- Jan. 6** - **First day back after Christmas break.**

On the following days prizes will be awarded for best participation in each class

- Dec. 16** - wear **Red Day!**
- Dec. 17** - wear **Green Day!**
- Dec. 18** - wear **Christmas Sweater Day (No Santas please)**
- Dec. 19** - wear **Christmas Hat Day (No Santa pictures allowed but red and white Santa hats are fine)**

Dec. 19 - Christmas Potluck and Concert: Reflections of Christmas

Doors open 5:30 pm - **Clymont Hall**

#1 - 51423 Hwy 60, Spruce Grove

Price: 5/person, \$25/family, \$40/table (prepay) - purchase tickets from the homeroom teacher. *There are a limited number of tables. Tickets at the door will be \$10*



Potluck supper will begin at 6:00 pm - please bring a dish to share.



Classroom Christmas Parties

Teachers will be in touch with each of their classes. Please watch your child's agenda.

May God grant you all a blessed and peaceful time with family and friends. Merry Christmas from all the staff at HBA!



DECEMBER 17TH

CHRISTMAS CANDY GRAM

EACH CANDY GRAM MUST BE PURCHASED BY
DECEMBER 13TH 2024.

THERE WILL BE VARIOUS ITEMS, INCLUDING:
HOT CHOCOLATE, CANDY CANES,
CHOCOLATE BARS, CANDY BAGS AND ETC.