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École Vickers Public School

Welcome to the newsletter for December

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EVENTS IN DECEMBER

December 5th - 20th - SLC 12 Days of Christmas
December 8th - Candy Canes Delivered
December 13th - K-4 Christmas Concert @ Carlton Cafetorium 7-8PM
December 14th - Grade 5-8 Band and Choir Concert @ Carlton
Cafetorium 7-8pm
December 14th - Boston Pizza Hot Lunch
December 15th - K-4's and EAL Blizzards
December 16th - K's 5-8 and Dev Ed Blizzards
December 21st - January 3rd - Christmas Break (No Classes)

UP COMING EVENTS IN JANUARY

January 4th - back to school January 30th - PLC Day (No Classes) Movie night to be determined Lunchbox starting tentatively January 9th. (details of lunchbox in this newsletter)



PRINCIPAL CORNER

How can it already be December? This year is flying by but we are having so much fun learning this year. This year we focused on a Citizenship goal as our second school goal. We have incorporated the **7 Grandfather Teachings** and focus on one of the teachings each month. In **October**, we focused on "*Respect*" and did reading activities with our Classroom



Buddies as well as a school-wide bucket filler activity. In **November**, we presented the teaching on *"Bravery."* Students were able to explore what it means to be brave, try something new, and be ok with not being able to do everything . . . yet!

12 DAYS OF HOLIDAY CHEER!!

It is the most wonderful time of the year! The SLC Presents: The 12 Days of Holiday Cheer!

The SLC team is excited to send out our second annual **12 Days of**

Holiday Cheer which will kick off on Monday, December 5th. Below is a calendar with the theme days!



Your SLC is proud to present "12 Days of Holiday Cheer" to help spread the joy of the holiday season. We invite you to join us in participating in each day's theme and activities.				
5 12 DAY DRIVE	6 Channel Your Flannel Wear your fanciest flannel for a cozy day! <u>Nome that</u> <u>Christmas Tune</u> <u>Activity</u>	7 Santa's Workshop Day Dress like you work in Santa's Workshop <u>Christmas STEAM</u> <u>Activities</u>	8 Candy Cane Day Wear Stripes Candy Canes will be preordered	9 Do You Want to Build a Snowman? Wear any winter colours or dress like a Snowman! Snowman building competition
12 Jolly Jersey Day Wear your favourite sports jersey!	13 Trim the Tree Day! Dress your holiday best (christmas accessories, etc.) Christmas Concert Day!	14 Reindeer Games Day Dress in Reindeer Attire Learn a new Math Game! Band Concert Day!	15 DEEEP Wear all white, all blue, or all gray! DQ Blizzards will be preordered for gr. K-4 & EAL	16 FREEZE Wear all white, all blue, or all gray! DQ Blizzards will be preordered for gr. K, 5-8, Dev. Ed.
19 Christmas Bingo Wear your Ugly Christmas Sweaters School Wide Bingo	20 Twas the Night Before Christmas Break Dress in your PJ's for a relaxing day	Throughout the "12 Days of Holiday Cheer" your SLC will be hosting a Food Drive. We invite you to "Food Frenzy" this holiday season by bringing in non-perishable food items. This can include: pasta or pasta sauces, canned meat, meat alternatives (peanut butter, soy, assorted packaged nuts), canned goods (beans, soups, and stews), dairy (canned, and powdered milk), canned vegetables and fruit, whole grain cereals, infant foods and baby formula, bathroom tissue and diapers and personal hygiene products. Pet food can also be donated! All items collected will be donated to our local Food Bank.		

The SLC will be selling Reindeer decorated candy canes and having a Blizzard Sale.

Students will preorder. The candy canes will be delivered to their classrooms on Thursday, December 8th. **The cost of the candy canes is \$1 each**.

Blizzards will be delivered on <u>Thursday, December 15th for the K-4's and EAL</u>. The <u>K's, 5-8, and Dev Ed</u> will get theirs delivered on Friday, December 16th.

The cost of the Blizzard is \$6.00 for a small, we are only offering a size small this year. Please have your *money turned in by Friday, December 2nd*. We will not be accepting late orders this year as we need to get final numbers into Dairy Queen.

School Cash is the preferred method of payment for Blizzards and Candy Canes but you can pay by cash or cheque. Thank you so much for your support in our fundraiser! The SLC Team





Winners! École Vickers School Choir had the winning entry! Way to go!

CONGRATULATIONS to the winner of the 'NO U-Turns in School Zones' contest: <u>École Vickers Public</u> <u>School</u>'s Choir!!

This message is so important, and we loved seeing all the entries and how creative the kids (and their teachers) are in telling the drivers to take care and NOT make U-Turns in School Zones!

The winning entry had the most likes tallied on all the Social Media platforms. (Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and TikTok)

https://youtu.be/VyGivi4KDZM



SCC Fundraiser & Movie Night coming up in January

Details and dates will be in January's Newsletter.

CHRISTMAS CONCERTS

Please join us for École Vickers Christmas Concerts!

The Students have started practicing and preparing for our upcoming Christmas Concert. This year we be holding the Christmas Concert over two evenings @ Carlton Cafetorium. Silver collection at the door and donations will be made to the food bank.



K-4 Christmas Concert - December 13th 7:00 PM (afternoon practice 1:00 p.m.)

Grade 4-8 Choir and 5-8 Band Concert - December 14th 7:00 PM (afternoon practice 1:00 p.m.)

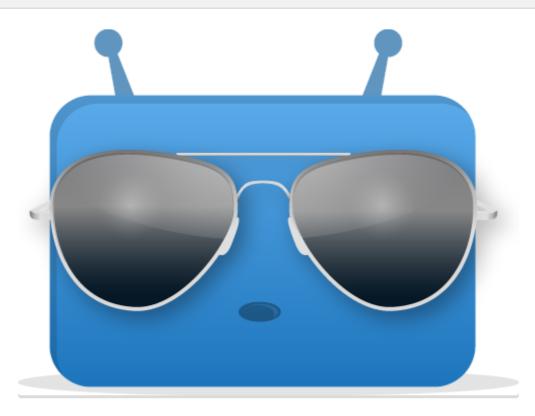
Vickers School Clothing

Are you interesting in purchasing Vickers gear? We have an online store with loads of options! Check out Entripy at <u>https://evs.entripyshops.com/</u>









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Parent Information Edsby.docx Great Information for using Edsby! Download 84.5 KB

Art Group

A reminder to Vickers families that Art Group is on in full swing! We meet every Tuesday after school until 4:30.

It is a fun, welcoming environment for all students in Grades 5-8. It is a drop in group, so no commitment is required – come when you can! There will be no Art Group on December 13th or December 20th. Please contact Mrs. Elise Hoey-Seto on Edsby or at <u>ehoeyseto@srsd119.ca</u> with any questions!





School Activity Fee

If you have not paid your child's School Activity Fees please sign up using the link below for School Cash Online.

This fee is collected to assist in covering the costs of optional activities or events that would enhance the regular school programming and

School Fees

would enrich the education of participating students. Some examples of these are out of school educational experiences, activities, presentations and/or speakers.

The fee is 10.75 for Kindergarten and 21.00 for Gr 1-8 & Dev Ed.

SCHOOL CASH ONLINE

Make online payments with SchoolCashOnline

- Field Trips
- Sports Events
- Activity Fees

KEVGROUP School Cash Simplified



Registration for School Cash Online is now Available!! Please Visit **www.srsd119.ca/school-cash-online/** for instructions.



POLAR BEAR CLUB

We are excited for another "Polar Bear Club" for 2022-23 at École Vickers School!

School policy states that when the weather dips below -30 degrees Celsius, students are kept indoors for recess. This year, we are offering the opportunity for students in grades 3 to 8 the option to go outside for recess during these cold days if they choose, are appropriately dressed for the weather and have returned a signed permission form. A note with more details and the permission slip will be sent home with students. These are due back by Friday, December 2.

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Our staff parking lots are a "no drop off zone" as they are out of bounds for students.



We urge parents to support us in this safety endeavor by dropping off your children on the west side of the school on Olive Diefenbaker Drive;

on Bradbury Drive, east of the Special Needs bus zone and between Gisi Road and Olive Diefenbaker Drive.

We encourage the children to cross all streets in a safe manner by crossing at the corner or at cross walks. Teacher supervision is also provided at our major crosswalks.

The Community Club rink parking lot is the bus pick up zone after school for our parents to meet their children for pick up. Please refrain from turning around in the driveways, as this is disruptive to the homeowners.



CHRISTMAS CARD BLITZ

12 classrooms will write notes in pre-printed christmas cards or make their own cards to share with Seniors at Pineview Terrace and Herb Bassett Home throughout the holiday season. The Christmas Card Blitz will go until December 15th.



HOT LUNCH WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14TH

Vickers will be having a hot lunch from Boston Pizza on Wednesday, December 14th! The Deadline for the hot lunch will be December 9th. More information will be provided on school cash online. Go to <u>https://srsd119.schoolcashonline.com</u>and click to register if you haven't already.

CHARITY FOOD DRIVE

To help ensure that every families has food on their tables École Vickers will be doing a charity food drive.

Throughout the "12 Days of Holiday Cheer" your SLC will be hosting a Food Drive. We invite you to "Food Frenzy" this holiday season by bringing in non-perishable food items. This can include: pasta or pasta sauces, canned meat, meat alternatives (peanut butter, soy, assorted packaged nuts), canned goods (beans, soups, and stews), dairy



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LUNCHBOX BY SCHOOLCASH ONLINE COMING IN JANUARY!

Lunchbox by SchoolCash Online is a full-service online lunch ordering system.

- Secure, easy-to-use online ordering & payment platform
- All meals are nut-free, allergy aware & meet the Ministry's nutritional manates
- The days the lunchbox will be available will be Tuesday's and Thursday's.
- Strict safety protocols for food handling & delivery.
- This will all be on the KEV System also known as SchoolCash Online.

More information and details will be provided at a later date.

ÉCOLE VICKERS VOLLEY BALL TEAMS!

"The grade 8 girls had an awesome season! They got to practice together every Monday morning, and made improvements as the season went on. Both teams medaled in the tournament that was held at the beginning of the season, coming in 2nd and 3rd. Both teams played hard throughout extravaganza. Mme Beaulac and Miss Briere had a blast coaching you. Way to go girls!"



The grade 7 girls' volleyball team finished the season with an exciting 3-set win over Birch Hills to capture their gold medals. The commitment from these girls at both practices and games was

impressive. This group will continue to grow and improve as a team heading into next year as grade 8's. Thanks for the awesome season!

M Fortier grade 6 volleyball team had a great season! I am very proud of each team member for the effort that they invested into every game and practice. As the season neared its end, the grade 6s' effort paid off as our team won the gold medal during the extravaganza tournament. What a way to end the season!

Mrs. Dallyn Grade 6 boys volleyball had a great season! The boys showed a lot of growth on the court and advanced to the semifinals in our league for Extravaganza. They represented Vickers well with their positive attitudes and great teamwork! It was a fun and successful season.



Grade 6 Boys M Fortier Team



Grade 7 Girls Mr. Whitrow Team



Grade 8 Boys Mr. Brown Team



Grade 8 Mme Beaulac Team



Grade 8 Miss Briere Team



Grade 6 Mrs. Dallyn Team

THANKYOU!

École Vickers would like to give a big thank you to all the coaches for this years volley ball teams. To the coaches for their hard work and constant motivation and encouragement.

Also to **Neil Finch** we greatly appreciate your time and your generosity, we greatly appreciate all your help.





PARENT SURVEY 2022-23

Reminder:

If you haven't already, please check your Edsby to complete the Our School Parent Survey. We would like to hear from the stakeholders in our school community. Please follow this link to complete this survey : <u>http://www.ourschool.net/vickers2</u> The survey will be closing on December 2nd 2022.



LIBRARY BOOKS

Beginning December 7th until December 20th Miss Grimard would like you to bring back your library books to the library.

PRICE CHANGE FOR FRESH PIZZA

Starting January 1st Pizza will now be \$3.00 a slice at the canteen.



ÉCOLE VICKERS CANTEEN

DRINKS:

- Flavored water.....\$1.50
- Chocolate milk.....\$1.50
- Large apple/orange/fruit juice.....\$1.50
- Juice box.....\$1.50

SMALL SNACKS: (all pre-packaged).......\$1.00

- variety of small items such as Rice Krispie squares, goldfish crackers, cookies, baked chips,
- hot rods, fruit snacks, wagon wheels, and/or seasonal snacks.

LARGE SNACKS: (all pre-packaged)......\$1.50

• Sun chips, crispers, cookies







INCLEMENT WEATHER

For the most part, we want our students to enjoy playing outdoors before school, during both recesses, and the noon hour. On rainy days, we allow students to come into the school upon their arrival and remain indoors during all breaks. In the winter, we use -30 degrees Celsius as our cut off to remain indoors. If the temperature and/or wind-chill in combination with the temperature exceed -30, then all students are permitted in the school in the morning and during break times. **We do expect that all students be dressed appropriately for the weather, as there are many cold days that students are expected to be outdoors.**

