



HOOF PRINTS ***JANUARY 14, 2011*** ***ISSUE 5***

January dates to remember
1 - 4 Christmas Break
5 - Traditional classes resume
12 - Year Round classes resume
17 - Safety Drill
18 - Subway order deadline
21 - Subway Day
Year Book Deadline
22 - Beginner Band Workshop
31 - School Planning day - no school

School Safety Drills

The safety of all students and staff of IMS is of great importance. To that end, we have been working to establish appropriate safety measures for the various situations that may occur and affect our staff and students.

It is a reflection of the changes in our society that we must add variations to our safety drills. As per guidance provided to us in our Safety Handbook, we would like to practice a drill known as a "lockdown". The teachers will be instructing students regarding their role during a drill of this kind. The procedures all schools are expected to follow include closing and locking all doors, both inside and outside and keeping staff and students in rooms while the office contacts 911 with details. The role of everybody in the building is to remain quiet and calm until they are notified of "all clear". No one is allowed to enter or leave the building during a lockdown procedure.

Teachers have thoroughly reviewed emergency plans with the children. We appreciate your support in these very important matters.

IMS will be having a "lockdown" drill on January 17th.

Canyon Ski Days UPDATE and reminders...

JANUARY 25th rescheduled from January 11th and February 1st

Mrs. Chadwick, Mrs. Chalaturnyk, Mrs. Jensen, Mrs. Lastiwka / Mr. Collin, Mr. Pivert, Mr. Stones and Mr. Walsh

January 18th and February 8th

Miss Burbank, Mr. Graff, Mrs. Grant, Mme. Janzen, Miss Kenway, Mrs. Klymyk, Mr. Pierzchalski, and Mrs. Pierzchalski.

Please remember that students must wear appropriate winter clothing, layers are recommended. Bring lunch and plenty to drink. A concession will be available.

Ronald McDonald House Pull Tab update...

IMS is competing against other schools as well as amongst grades within our school. The grade 6 pod is taking the lead right now filling 2 buckets completely and starting on the third. While the grade 5's and 7's are behind with only 1 bucket each.

Please bring in your tabs! We will be collecting them until May 13th!

Parent Council

Our next Parent Council meeting will be

March 1st at 7:00pm

We look forward to seeing you there.

REMINDERS, REMINDERS, REMINDERS...

Our policy states that parents must report to the office before going to classrooms. This is in place for safety reasons. If you are not abiding by this policy we ask that you please do so.

If your child is going to be away from school or late please be sure to call the office. On winter days when busses are not running it is not necessary for parents of BUS STUDENTS to call. It will be assumed that your child is home safe and sound.

Thank you for assisting IMS in your role on these important issues and helping us to be a safe and caring school.

SCIENCE FAIR AT IMS

It is once again Science Fair time at IMS. Students have had their first meeting this week. Students that are entering the IMS Science Fair need to return their forms to Mrs. Grant by January 16th. Mrs. Grant will be available to help students every Thursday and Friday at lunch recess. Our school Science Fair will be on Thursday March 3rd. Judging will be in the afternoon from 12:25pm to 1:25pm. If you are able to help judge the Science Fair please contact Mrs. Grant at the school. Students that do well at our fair will be able to attend the Regional Science Fair in Red Deer on March 25th and 26th at Bower Mall. Watch for more updates in the next newsletter.

Band News and Notes:

The Beginner Band Workshop has been moved to Saturday, January 22nd. It will start in the band room at 9:30am and will end at 11:30am. Please ensure that your beginner band students are at this event as it is crucial to their success in the band program!

The Annual Dessert Concert will be held on Wednesday, February 16th at 7:00pm in the High School Gathering Area. All bands, except beginner band, will be performing. The IMS Renaissance Silent Auction will be held during this event. Tickets are \$10.00 and will be available from band students upon request and at the door. Coffee, juice, desserts, silent auction items and some great music will all be there so get your ticket before they are sold out!

PE News

Our Basketball teams are hard at work. We are hosting Penhold today starting at 1:30 pm. and will be returning to Penhold on Friday, January 21st.

In intramurals we are going to be starting the IMS Cup in floor hockey. Students stay tuned for further details. We have had great participation to date but we would love to see even more students come on out to play during your week. There is also a rumor that an exceptionally strong teachers team will be looking to challenge a team or two to a game. Parents here is your chance... if you are interested in playing some floor hockey at lunch against one of our teams please give Mr. Adams a call and we will see if we can get a group together.

We will again be inviting students in to the gym to try to qualify for the K of C Free Throw Championship towards the end of the month. Please watch for more information to follow. The age winners from our school will then have the opportunity to compete against students from surrounding schools.

Alberta Hunter Education Course message from Mr. J. Pierzchalski...

It has come to my attention that there is a need to have the Provincial Hunter Education Course taught within our community. This course is required before any first time hunter may obtain their hunting certificate. I have previously taught this course within the school system for many years. As a certified volunteer Alberta Hunter Education instructor and as a certified Federal Firearms instructor I will offer this course as a complementary (choice option) course if there is sufficient interest. I will require a note from parents of students interested in this course. There will be a no profit charge for the course and materials.

Thank you Mr. J. S. Pierzchalski

Renaissance in December...

The Christmas Assembly was festive. The game Minute to Win It was exciting seeing Justin Woodruff and Kimberly Doyle at their most competitive and Mr. Pivert wrapped up like a present.

Top Cookie Dough sales winners were:

Grade 5	Liam Bacque
Grade 6	Austin Thompson
Grade 7	Dayna Carlson

Students of the Month:

Grade 5- Alex Ramrattan, Spencer Kaluzniak, Jesse Herzog, Andrew Fitzgerald

Grade 6- Mackenzie Epp, Scarlett-Rose Empey, Alli Russell, Thomas Layden, Alicia Janssen, Carson Papp

Grade 7- Maria Robinson, Teena Olson, Alysa Andersen, Regan Ference, Dayna Carlson

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Athletes of the Month:

Grade 5- Brody Nestorvich

Grade 6 - Kennedy Jackson and Thomas Layden

Grade 7 - Emily Tulk and Jordan Sauers

Sponsored by **Subway**

Art Student of the Month: Danyon Lorencz

Band Students of the Month:

Beginner Band- Emily Thiessen and Samson Robertson

Concert Band- Brandon Bovey

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Cleanest Classroom:**Grade 5** – Mrs. Chadwick**Grade 6** – Mr. Stones**Grade 7** – Mrs. Chalaturnyk**Subway Party Sub with a friend:** Jordan Sauers, Keltie Watt, Mikayla Janssen, Riona Wiberg**Lunch with Mr. Steeves:** Oriana Clark**Lunch with Mr. Stones:** Kaitlyn Dowler**Friend WII Lunch:** Riley Vokes**Spirit Bear winners:****Grade 5:** Mrs. Chadwick**Grade 6:** Miss Burbank**Grade 7:** Mr. WalshThey are entered for a chance to win a **Dairy Queen** class lunch at the end of the year.The **Boston Pizza** birthday draw winners were: Aly Blain, Ryan Grimberg, Sloane McBride, Quinton WrightSponsored by **Boston Pizza****Metcalf Funeral Chapel** draw: Chloe Altenhofen**Shell Canada** draw: Jeremy Klessens, Chelsea Anderson, Dani Gervais, Ally Sebastian**ATB** draw: Robin Jensen

Our sponsors are sincerely thanked for their new and continued support of our school and programs: **Shell Canada, Olymel, ATB Financial, Dairy Queen, Subway, Innisfail Co-Op, Mulligan's Pizza, A&W, Servus Credit Union, Innisfail Aquatic Center, NAPA/The Source, Flowers in Bloom, McDonald's, Jackson's Pharmasave, Innisfail Esso, Home Hardware, Staples, FCSS, The Legman, Metcalf Funeral Chapel, Tim Hortons, Luke Ouellette- M.L.A., Gary Moe Mazda, Extra Foods, Jostens, Body Basics Massage Therapy, Adonia Beauty and Wellness and Boston Pizza.**

If you or your business would like to participate or to be a part of our program through a donation, please contact Shelley Smereka at 403-227-0060.

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

Red Cross Babysitting Course

Friday March 4, 2011

9:30am-4:00pm

Dr. George Kemp House, Basement Meeting Room

Cost: \$35.00

Register at the Innisfail Town Office

For more information contact Heather Dixon at 403-227-7744

Wellness Education

A Message from the Superintendent

The new year brings a renewed focus on efforts being made to support health and wellness initiatives in our school communities. Ensuring a healthy physical and social environment in our schools can positively impact student performance and academic achievement, and support our goals to help each student reach their full potential.

Chinook's Edge School Division believes so strongly in the priority of promoting healthy lifestyle choices that we have established a formal policy on Wellness Education. Wellness is a balanced state of emotional, intellectual, physical, social and spiritual well-being, and people throughout our division are working together to encourage growth in each of these areas. I thank everyone whose efforts are supporting this Chinook's Edge priority, and I wish all of our school families a happy and healthy new year.

Kurt Sacher**Superintendent of Schools**

IMS COLOR YEARBOOK

Please make cheque payable to Innisfail Middle School

Student's Name: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____

All Orders must be turned in to IMS by **January 21, 2011**.

The cost per yearbook is \$15.00.

Item	Check if purchasing and quantity	Price per item	Total
Color Yearbook		\$15.00	
Total			

IMS SUBWAY Lunch
January 21st, 2011
\$5.00 includes sub, milk and a cookie.

Please check off the type of 6" sub, bread type and milk. Then choose the toppings for your sub. *No other alterations* can be made because of the size of our order. Orders are to be handed in to teacher and *may not* be turned in to Subway. Thank you.

Milk: Chocolate _____
 White _____

Bread: White _____ Whole Wheat _____

Sub: Ham _____
 Cold Cut _____
 Pizza _____
 Veggie _____

Sub toppings: (Check the items wanted on your sub)

Lettuce _____ Tomato _____ Onion _____ Cucumber _____ Green Pepper _____ Banana Peppers _____
 Pickles _____
 Cheese _____ Salt _____ Pepper _____ Mayo _____ Mustard _____ Sub Sauce _____ Italian dressing _____

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Thank you for supporting Renaissance.
Please return to teachers by: January 18th, 2011.
No late orders will be accepted!

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École John Wilson Elementary School

Kindergarten 2011-2012

Open House

Information and Registration Night

February 10th at 6:30

École John Wilson Elementary School invites all Innisfail families of children ready for Kindergarten to attend our Kindergarten Open House Information and Registration Night on February 10th at 6:30.

Our evening will provide time to learn about our whole school community, meet with all school staff, explore our Kindergarten programming and end with time to ask Kindergarten and administration questions you may still have.

We are now accepting registrations for the 2011-2012 Kindergarten year.

We are so excited to be welcoming our new Kindergarten students into our safe and caring school community!

To attend Kindergarten in August 2011, children must turn five years old by December 31, 2011 and a birth certificate will be required for registration. Accommodation may be made for four year-olds with special needs. There are no school fees for Kindergarten students at École John Wilson Elementary School.

Call École John Wilson Elementary School at [403-227-3292](tel:403-227-3292) for more information.

We look forward to welcoming your child to our school community where we are committed to

Making a Difference for Children!

