

December 5, 2016

## ÉCOLE INNISFAIL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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### HOOF PRINTS

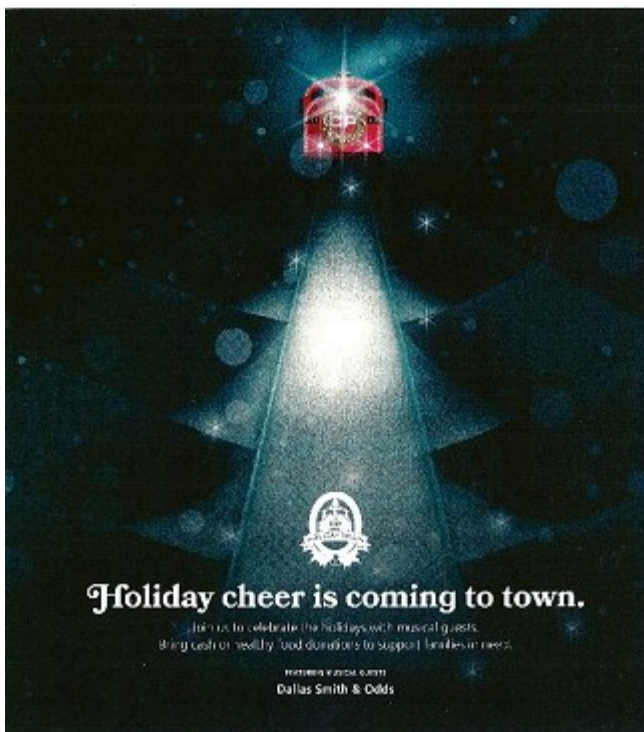
#### December Principal Message...

On behalf of the staff and students of ÉIMS, I would like to wish you and your family a happy holiday season! Enjoy a well-deserved break with your family and friends. School ends for the Christmas break at 3:05pm on December 23rd and resumes on January 9th.

Danica Martin



- ### December
- 6—Parent Council Meeting
  - 7—Pizza day
    - Poinsettia pick up 3:15pm
  - 8—Collaborative day—no school
  - 14—Hot dog day
  - 16—Subway day
    - January hot lunch deadline
  - 21—Report Cards
  - 23— Winter celebration
    - Last day of classes
  - January Dates to Remember
  - 9—Classes resume
  - 11—Pizza Day
  - 18—Hot Dog day
  - 20—Subway Day
    - February hot lunch deadline
  - 25—Grade 5—8 Soup/Salad



### Holiday Train

The CPR holiday train will be coming to Innisfail on Friday, December 9th at 1:15 pm. This is not a school day for students. Many of our students have attended this event in the past with their class and have enjoyed it immensely. It is a wonderful way to start the Christmas season.

DEC 9 @ 1:15pm  
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## OPOWATUM CELEBRATION

**December 23rd is the last day of classes until January 9th. We will be having our Winter Celebration and dance. There will be many fun activities including the opportunity to ring the bell at the top of the climbing wall Christmas tree. Cost is \$1.00 per climb and all proceeds will go to the Innisfail Christmas Bureau. Students should dress in their best appropriate attire.**

THE OPOWATUM DECK THE HALLS challenge was a huge success. EIMS families collected a substantial amount of non-perishable items for the Innisfail Food Bank. We also raised \$111.00 for the Innisfail Christmas Bureau. Taylor Aleman and Jessica Doyle both guessed very close to the total of 1195 cans it took to line the hall and each received 2 tickets to the December 3rd Rebels game.



### Band News...

Our Christmas Concert will be held on Wednesday, December 7th at 2:00pm in the ÉIMS gym. All students from grades 5 and 6 will be involved along with bands from grades 7—12 and our jazz bands. Come out and see what is happening with music in our school.

Poinsettias will be available for pick up on December 7th following the concert until 6:30pm.

The Junior and Senior jazz bands recently attended the CESD Jazzfest workshop. This annual workshop boasts the talents from the Calgary Jazz Orchestra that work with our students in small groups and on the stage in a larger group .

The students had a great time and sounded fantastic.



## Proud of the active global citizens in our schools

A message from the Superintendent

During this year of life-changing challenges in the world around us, our Chinook's Edge school communities have responded with an outpouring of generosity and goodwill that fills us with pride. When Fort McMurray faced the wildfire situation, our students, families and staff quickly got to work, organizing fundraising events and coordinating efforts to help ease the strife. This kindness continued in the months following, when some students were relocated into our schools to ensure their learning could continue.

At the same time, some of our school communities were also welcoming Syrian refugees and many of our Chinook's Edge families were making personal commitments to showing these newcomers what safe and caring looks like. All the while we were helping each other, sharing acts of kindness large and small to support our neighbours, colleagues and students who continue to be impacted by the economic challenges closer to home. Thank you for your many displays of caring and compassion. We wish everyone in our Chinook's Edge school communities a deep measure of peace this holiday season.

**Kurt Sacher**

**Superintendent of Schools**

### Question for your Superintendent...

At Chinook's Edge School Division, we pride ourselves on transparent communication and service to all of our stakeholders. If you have a question for Superintendent Kurt Sacher, we have set up a link on our website to reach him directly. The 'Parents Matter Question Box' link is available under the 'Board' tab on our website at [www.cesd73.ca](http://www.cesd73.ca). (The Question Box is not meant to replace the regular communications protocols at the school level. Thank you.)