



TELKWA SCHOOL NEWS

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Principal's Message

December 2024



The school is starting to feel the Spirit of the holidays. Mr. Anderson and the classroom teachers have been working hard to prepare students for Carolfest on Dec. 4 and our Christmas concert on Dec. 18. Our grade 6/7 student leadership group have also been busy planning some fun school events for the month of December. Friday Dec. 20 will be our last day of school and we will reconvene Monday, Jan. 6, 2025.

I'd like to wish you all a happy, restful and safe holiday!



Carolfest

Our choir sang beautifully at Carolfest this past Wednesday evening. We also had some amazing soloists who sang that night - Fjord Calhoun, Meadow Calhoun and Emma Bissonnette. Thank you to Mr. Anderson, all our choir students, the PAC and all the parents who helped supervise in order to make this night such a success. If you were not able to see/hear the choir sing, you will get another chance on Dec. 18 when they sing again at our school's Christmas concert.

Christmas Concert - Wednesday, Dec. 18

This year we are trying something new. Because we had such a high number of afternoon viewers, we have decided to have 1 dress rehearsal at 9:30 am where students can watch their peers followed by 2 formal performances at 1:30 pm and one at 6:30 pm.

We do have limited seating, and in order to abide by the fire regulations, no one will be admitted once seating is full. The afternoon is set for parents with young children, extended family and friends. The evening performance is for parents only. We also ask and appreciate that you plan to stay for the whole performance out of respect for the other classes performing. We will have a hamper box available at the entrance if you would like to donate a non-perishable item that will go towards Telkwa families in need.

Learning Summaries

Learning summaries will be coming home with your children on Friday, Dec. 20. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your child's teacher in the New Year and they will be happy to speak to you.

Lost & Found

Please come and check out our lost & found or remind your child to check for any lost clothing. Unclaimed items will be taken away and given to the New to You in Smithers during the last week of school.

Hot Lunch

There will be NO hot lunch the last week of school.

When we return to school after the holiday, there will **only be 1 lunch that week on Wed., Jan. 8.** We continue to monitor our school (Tuesday) lunches and are happy to say we will continue lunches in term 2. (until Spring Break). We will reassess again in March to determine what the program will look like in the Spring when we are back in April.

Kindergarten Registration

This year, kindergarten registrations will take place the week of **January 20th** for children who will be five (5) years old on or before December 31, 2025.

Registration during this time is required to assist in the planning and organization of our schools. Proof of age (original birth certificate) and BC Care Card must be presented at the time of registration. If you have any questions, please call the school. If you know families that have kindergarten age children for next year please pass this information on. Registration forms are on our website or you can come in to the school.



Library Books

Thank you for helping your child remember to bring their books back each week to either renew or exchange. Many children have long overdue books and Library notices will be coming home soon. Thank you to all of you who helped to support our book fair! With the money we made we were able to purchase a number of new books.

Sick Children

Please ensure that your child does not come to school if they are feeling ill. We will be phoning parents/guardians to come and pick them up if they are sick. We appreciate your support and understanding in this matter.

Dressing for the Weather

Please ensure your child comes to school with appropriate clothing for the weather. Unless the weather drops below -15 degrees, students will be outside in the morning and for breaks. Many classes also go out on walking field trips so it is important to dress warm and be prepared. It is also a very good idea to send your child with a change of clothes (and socks) as they often get wet in the snow.

PAC

Hello Telkwa families. Our Telkwa School PAC has been very busy this past month providing Wednesday hot lunches, school jerseys, and funding for field trips and concerts (coming soon). All of these wonderful, school wide benefits do come at a cost and you will be seeing more fundraising efforts from the PAC in the months to come. We recently participated in Christmas at Creekside selling popcorn and apple cider and we have our Christmas Dinner Raffle tickets on sale now! They are \$2/ticket and you win an entire Christmas meal for approximately 6 people with turkey from Happy Pig Organic Farms, buns from Rustica Bakery, dessert from Riverside Kitchen and all the fixings for side dishes provided by the PAC. You can pick up tickets at the office and we will also be selling them at the school Christmas concerts on the 18th. All proceeds from this raffle will go into our hot lunch program. Our next meeting is January 13th in the multipurpose room at the school at 12:15pm. We hope to see you there!

DATES TO REMEMBER

December	13	Pizza Day
	18	Christmas Concert (1:30 & 6:30)
	20	Last day of school before the holidays
January	6	Back to school
	20	2025-2026 Kindergarten Registration begins