



École Harwood Elementary School

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Our mission: To provide a caring and supportive environment for students to develop a lifelong love of learning and to prepare them to become responsible citizens in a changing world.

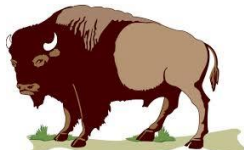


November in Review

Another month has passed us by and we find ourselves preparing for the winter. We had an amazing Remembrance Day Assembly headlined by the Harwood Harmonix and class presentations. Harwood students demonstrated everything we asked of them on this day and were a respectful audience.

Grandfather Teaching – Respect

Respect is represented by the buffalo. The buffalo gives every part of his being to sustain the human way of living, not because he is of less value, but because he respects the balance and needs of others. To honor all creation is to have respect. Treat others the way you would like to be treated. Do not be hurtful to yourself or others.



Harwood Winter Concert

Our winter concert, *Harwood's Home for the Holidays*, will be on Thursday, Dec. 12. We will have two showings - 11 am and 1:10 pm. Both showings are whole-school concerts. Our concert will include singing, a special light show, and multi-instrument pieces performed by individual classes. Please save the date! We are very excited to share in the joy of the season with you! Hope to see you there! 🥰

Skating and Skiing

Many of our classes have started organizing their skating and skiing trips. Please encourage your child to participate! These are fantastic opportunities to get students into the activities for which Vernon is renowned.

Basketball



Lace up your shoes and get your headbands ready, basketball season is coming up! Grade 6 and 7 students will sign-up in the first two weeks of January. The season will start on January 22/23, boys will play on Wednesdays and girls will play on Thursdays. Practice schedules will be sent out soon.

Spirit Week

Show your Harwood Holiday Spirit by participating in Spirit Week. You can earn points for your Harwood House Team! Wear a holiday hat, a festive sweater, green & red, holiday socks and winter whites during the last week of school.



Winter Weather is here! Please make sure your child dresses for the cold – snow pants, toques and mittens will help them be able to enjoy our Canadian winters.



PAC Update

1. **Created by Kids orders are here!** If you ordered special creations from your student's Created by Kids art project, we will be sending them home with your student on Tuesday, December 3.
2. **A Christmas Fudge Miracle!** Wow! We just wanted to express our sincerest THANKS for your support for Vernon Teach and Learn and for the Harwood PAC's ongoing goal of raising enough money this year to buy the school a new laminator. We ended up getting 79 fudge box orders in less than 12 hours. Incredible! The fudge will be sent home with your student on Monday, Dec 16th.
3. **Harwood Family Christmas Movie Night** - Join us for a wonderful Harwood, Christmas tradition. **Thursday, December 19** is our family Christmas movie night in the gym! Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, pillows, even an air mattress, if you'd like. Entry by donation. There will be a cash-only concession for pizza, snacks, candy, popcorn & drinks. If you can RSVP "attending" on our Facebook page: [Harwood Elementary PAC](#) we can ensure there is enough pizza, popcorn and snacks available! (although you don't have to RSVP to join us)

Reminders

1. Report cards will be available to view on MyEd on December 20th. If you would like a paper copy, please notify the office. If you have forgotten your login information for MyEd, please email Mrs. Doucette at kdoucette@sd22.bc.ca
2. Dogs – our best friends! We recognize that taking them for a walk while you walk your child to school is a great way to be together but please PICK-UP after your furry child as our students play on the field throughout the day.
3. Supervision - Please be aware that we do not have supervision at school until 8:05am so please do not send children earlier than that. Furthermore, we do not have afterschool supervision so children should make their way home quickly after the bell.

Upcoming Events:

Dec 6 Gr 6/7 Skiing/Skating
Dec 9 PAC Meeting 6:30
Dec 12 Winter Concerts
Dec 13 Gr 6/7 Skiing/Skating
Dec 16 Crazy/holiday sweater
Dec 17 Pizza Day
Dec 17 Green & Red Day
Dec 18 Santa/Holiday Hat
Dec 19 Holiday Socks
Dec. 19 PAC Christmas Movie Night
Dec 20 Winter Wonderland/White Out
Dec. 20 **Last Day** before Winter Break
Dec. 20 Mid-Year Reports
Jan 7 Gr 6/7 Skiing

