

# Prairieview Post

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*Together we will ensure learning success for all students to develop their unique potential as caring citizens in a changing world.*



## Christmas Carols

Every morning in the two weeks leading up to Christmas we'll be letting students into the school at 8:25 to participate in early morning caroling. Mr. Gellrich is playing the guitar and Mrs. Sillito is playing the piano. Our goal is to have some fun, celebrate the Christmas season and help children learn the standard Christmas carols.

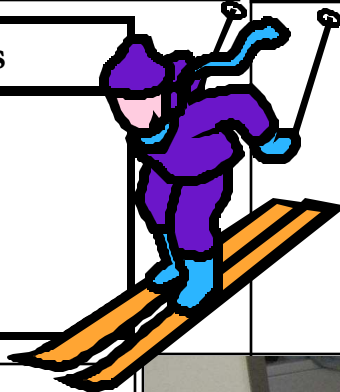
## Gingerbread!

A big thank-you to Mrs. Schmidt who came in to help the Kindergarten students make gingerbread cookies. Would you like to volunteer at the school? Give your teacher a call if you have a great idea for an activity and would like to get involved.

## Notice: Ski Trip Forms

Ski Trip forms are due on Friday the 12th.

We cannot make exceptions for late forms as we have to meet the deadlines set by Canada Olympic Park.



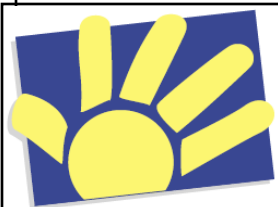
## Community of Caring

Our virtue for the month of December is caring. Here are some questions to get the discussion started at your house.

- How do you feel when people show that they really care about you? How do you feel when you do something really caring for someone else?
- Can you choose to be a caring person, or do you have to be born that way?
- What does caring have to do with the quality of your character?
- To what extent would you inconvenience yourself for another person?
- Agree or disagree: It's uncool to be a caring person. Why, or why not?



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*respect \* caring \* trust \* family*

*responsibility*

Mr. Michael Shain—Principal  
Mr. Nathan Sillito—Vice-Principal

December Calendar				
Monday	Tuesday	Weds.	Thursday	Friday
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> > Parent Link (9-11) > Hot Lunch Day > Mentorship Program (3:30)	<b>11</b> > Junior Curling (3:30)	<b>12</b> > Ski Trip Forms due back at the school
<b>15</b> > Family Curling Christmas Party (6PM, Curling Club)	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> > Christmas Concert (Div 1, 7:00PM) > Mentorship Program Carolling (3:30)	<b>18</b> > Christmas Concert (Div 2, 7:00PM) > Note: No Curling	<b>19</b> > Christmas Spirit Day > Dismissal for Christmas Holidays
<b>Jan. 5</b>	<b>Jan 6</b>	<b>Jan 7</b> > Mentorship Program Field Trip (Meet at 3:30 at VPE)	<b>Jan 8</b> > Ski Trip (Div 2) > Junior Curling (3:30)	<b>Jan 9</b>
<b>Looking Ahead...</b> Jan. 14 & 21 - Hot Lunch Days Jan. 28 - Professional Development Day (No Classes)			<i>"An educational system isn't worth a great deal if it teaches young people how to make a living but doesn't teach them how to make a life." Source Unknown</i>	
You can find the whole District Calendar for 2008-09 at our website. Go to <a href="http://www.vpes.ca">http://www.vpes.ca</a> and follow the link to <b>Documents</b> and <b>School Year</b> . The calendar is in a pdf format, you will need the free Acrobat software.				

### Intramural Floor Hockey

From Monday to Wednesday the sounds of cheering and excitement spill from the gymnasium out into the halls. What is the excitement all about? Intramural floor hockey!!

Students from grades 4-6 are showing great teamwork and cooperation as they strive for victory in what has proven to be a very fun league. The teams are all very close in skill, and there have been some very close games. One game was even tied at the buzzer! Students are having a great time and are representing the six Canadian teams very well. Floor hockey will continue in the New Year, likely until the middle of February. Good work boys and girls!



### Books and Comic Books

One of our Colony Schools has asked for donations of children's books and comic books for the colony school. We'll collect these donations at Prairieview and send them off to the colony. Thanks!

### Christmas Gift Books

Once again we are going to make available books (for the Library) that parents may purchase in recognition of their Child's Teacher or Support Staff Member. The new books will be available in the Library and you may choose a book for \$5.00. Fill in a Christmas label that will be put inside the front cover of the book. You may gift wrap the book and give it to the person you wish, who will in turn put it in the Library.

### School Fees

A reminder to get your school fees in to the main office. Fees must be paid before your child can participate in extra-curricular activities (like the ski trip). If you would like to discuss school fees, please call Mr. Shain at the school.

### Christmas Spirit Day

Friday, Dec. 19th is the day to show your Christmas Spirit. Wear your Santa hat, special tie, seasonal vest or anything green and red!

Feedback, questions, concerns, articles or compliments can be directed to Mr. Shain by e-mail: [michael.shain@pallisersd.ab.ca](mailto:michael.shain@pallisersd.ab.ca)