



Wednesday, December 5th, 2018, Day 1
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Staff of Sherwood School wish all families a peaceful and joyful holiday season!

We look forward to working with you in the New Year!

Christmas Break: The last day of classes is Friday, December 21st 2018. Classes resume on Thursday, January 3rd, 2019. It will be Day 2 in the cycle providing we have no closures due to weather between now and December 21st.

Christmas Parties in Classrooms: Some classes will be having Christmas parties in their classrooms. Parents, we have many anaphylactic students with life threatening allergies. Please check all ingredient labels to ensure product does not contain peanuts/nuts before sending any treat and/or lunch to school and please send in original packaging. Thank you for your cooperation.

CHRISTMAS RED & GREEN DAY/SPIRIT DAY – DECEMBER 14TH On Friday, December 14th students are invited to wear Christmas Attire or dress in red and green in support of our campaign to raise funds for the less fortunate. A monetary donation is appreciated. In the afternoon classes will participate in various spirit activities.

SCHOOL SKATES (Cody Banks Arena)

Our school skates have been set up for the season and **all students will have the opportunity to skate on Friday, December 21st and Friday, March 15th**. Our regular Friday skates have been set up for the following dates: Fri., January 18th, Fri., January 25th, Fri., February 8th, Fri., February 22nd and Friday, March 1st. A schedule will be set up in the new year.

On Friday, December 21st the skating schedule is as follows:

8:45 – 9:45 a.m. – All Kindergarten and all grade 1 classes, 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. – All grade 2 and 3 classes, 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. – All grade 5 classes, 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. – All grade 4 and 6 classes (Please note that the class of 4Z (Lindsay Gillan) will skate with the grade 3 classes for all skates.

Please note that helmets are mandatory for every person on the ice, which includes any chaperones or teachers. A permission slip is being sent home for parents to sign and return and it will cover all skating trips for the winter season. Please note that if skates are being transported on a bus they must be carried in an enclosed kit bag for safety reasons.

FOOD SERVICES

The next order date will be Monday, January 7th 2019 and that ordering will be available over the holidays. This ordering period covers the two week period beginning Monday, January 7th to Friday, January 18th. All payments and orders are due by 9 am on order days. Thank you for your cooperation.

MUSIC NEWS

Our grade 1 and 2 students are excited about presenting their respective concerts, tonight and tomorrow night. We are confident you will enjoy their performances. On **Friday evening, December 7th** the Sherwood Elementary Choir will be singing at the tree lighting ceremony at The Mount Continuing Care Centre.

LIBRARY NEWS

Total sales at this fall's book fair were \$5,270.30. From those sales, we were able to purchase almost \$1100 worth of books to give to classrooms and the library. We also earned another \$1800 to spend in the future for the library and classrooms. Thanks to Carol Fitzpatrick for her leadership with the book fair. We'd also like to thank Paul Buote, John MacKinnon, Joan Gallant and the students in 6A for their help before, during, and after the book fair.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Parents are asked to register their children for Kindergarten prior to or during the week of January 7-11, 2019.

- Children must be 5 years old by December 31, 2019 in order to be eligible for Kindergarten.
- Parents are asked to register their child at his/her local elementary school during school hours. If you are unsure of your school zone, please call the Stratford Office (902-368-6990) or Summerside Office (902-888-8400). Toll Free 1-800-280-7965.
- A registration form will be completed at the time of registration.
- Parents are reminded to bring two pieces of information which verify proof of child's age:
 - Birth certificate
 - PEI health card
- Verification of home address must also be provided, such as current utility bill.
- **Welcome to Kindergarten** sessions for incoming students and their parents will be held in the Spring of 2019.

RECYCLING – Our school has an account with Ch'town Bottle & Metal. Families and staff are welcome to drop off any refundable items and say it's for Sherwood Elementary. They will credit our account. They are located at 4 MacAleer Drive.

Eye See ... Eye Learn Program

To ensure children get the best possible start to their education, the **Eye See ... Eye Learn™** program provides one free eye exam and, if required, one free pair of glasses during their kindergarten year.

Please note: The PEI Association of Optometrists and eyewear sponsors, VisionTech Labs PEI and Viva Canada have partnered with Health PEI to offer this eye health and vision awareness program for kindergarten children.

Why is it important for my child to have an eye exam?

When children start school, 80 per cent of their classroom learning is through vision. Regular eye exams give them the start they need to reach their learning potential. Eye exams can identify health problems and conditions such as a turned or lazy eye. These conditions may be successfully treated if they are identified early in a child's life. It is recommended that infants should have their first eye exam at **six months of age**.



How do I register my child for an eye exam?

1. Book an appointment with an [optometrist](#) for your kindergarten child.
2. Bring your child's PEI Health Card and private insurance information with you to the appointment.
3. If your optometrist is unable to bill your insurance provider directly, you will have to pay up front and be reimbursed. Submit your claim to your insurance provider, then [complete and submit an application for co-pay reimbursement](#) [PDF | 70 KB] to Health PEI for the remaining amount.

If you don't have insurance, [complete and sign a Declaration form](#) [PDF | 70 KB]. Your optometrist will not ask you to pay for the exam and glasses, if required, as they are covered by Health PEI and the PEI Association of Optometrists

CLEAN UP OF CLASSROOMS/LOST AND FOUND Parents, please remind your child(ren) that before school closes for the holidays they should take home all footwear, clothing, kitbags, etc. Please check closely for any misplaced articles. The school will be cleaned over the holidays and left over lost and found articles will be donated to a deserving organization.

HOME AND SCHOOL NEWS Our next meeting will be Jan 9th @ 6:45pm. On behalf of Sherwood Home & School we would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year. We look forward to working with you all in 2019.



