



RES DECEMBER UPDATE

Reach Every Student

Message from Admin:

Dear RES Parents,

As we approach the festive season, I wanted to reach out and share some thoughts on the spirit of kindness that we hope to foster within our school community during this magical time of year.

At Raymond Elementary School, we believe that the values of kindness, compassion, and empathy are integral to the development of well-rounded individuals. The Christmas season provides a wonderful opportunity to reinforce these values in the hearts of our students and to extend the warmth of our school community beyond the classroom. There are many simple things we can do to promote kindness at home and in school.

Simple random acts of kindness such as helping a classmate, sharing a snack, or offering words of encouragement can have a big impact on creating a positive and supportive school environment.

Another idea is to create a special advent calendar focused on acts of kindness. Each day, your child can open a new window and discover a kind deed to perform, whether it's expressing gratitude, offering a helping hand, or sharing a smile. This not only spreads joy but also reinforces the importance of giving back.

You might think about exploring opportunities to engage in community service projects together. Whether it's volunteering at a local shelter, organizing a food drive, or participating in a charity event, these experiences can instill a sense of social responsibility and empathy in our students.

It is also valuable to encourage your child to reflect on their experiences of kindness. This can be done through discussions at home, sharing stories with classmates, or even creating a simple journal. Reflecting on acts of kindness helps reinforce positive behaviour and cultivates a culture of empathy.

Let's work together to make this Christmas season not only a time of joy and celebration but also a time to strengthen the bonds of kindness within our school and community. Your support and involvement are crucial in creating an environment where our students learn not only academic skills but also the values that will shape them into compassionate and caring individuals.

Wishing you and your family a joyous and kindness-filled Christmas!



DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

- Dec 1 - PD Day (no school)
- Dec 6 - Hot Lunch Form Opens
- Dec 6 - DQ Hot Lunch (grade 1,3,5)
- Dec 7 - DQ Hot Lunch (grade 2,4,6)
- Dec 13 - Ugly Sweater Day
- Dec 13 - Subway Hot Lunch (grade 1,3,5)
- Dec 14 - Subway Hot Lunch (grade 2,4,6)

- Dec 20 - Hot Lunch Form Closes
- Dec 20 - Grade 2 Christmas Concert (time TBA)
- Dec 20 - A1 Pizza Hot Lunch (grade 1,3,5)
- Dec 21 - A1 Pizza Hot Lunch (grade 2,4,6)
- Dec 22 - Pyjama Day
- Dec 22 - Last Day of School
- Jan 8 - School Resumes

