

École Fox Run School

Chinook's Edge School Division #73



Message from the Superintendent

December 2011

Creating great citizens in our safe and caring schools

Our focus in Chinook's Edge is to provide high quality learning opportunities that will help our students achieve success as compassionate and innovative global citizens. Good citizenship is a distinctive element of an effective classroom and a thriving community. Everyone benefits when individuals commit to making positive contributions to their school, their community and their world.

During this season of giving, we can clearly see the influence of Chinook's Edge students as they reach out to others. Our students are making plans to collect items for the local food bank at their seasonal concerts, sharing their musical talents at seniors' homes and filling hundreds and hundreds of shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Whether through quiet acts of kindness that affect a single person, or through grand gestures that impact entire communities, our students are modeling what citizenship truly means.

We thank our students and everyone who supports them as they reach out to others. Thank you, also, to our staff and parents who facilitate and encourage this great generosity of spirit all year long.

Kurt Sacher
Superintendent of Schools



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Message from the Principal

Dear parents and students,

I can't believe how quickly December has snuck up on us! It feels like just yesterday that we were in the gym celebrating the arrival of our new grade sixes into Fox Run with our beginning of the year Spirit Rally.

With Term One coming to a close at the end of November, we are excited about celebrating all of the achievements and success that our students have experienced this term. We are also eager to recognize all of the 'excellence' achievements that students have been able to accomplish this term at the Term Excellence Assembly on December 8th (10:30am in the gym). We look forward to seeing many parents and family members there to enjoy the experience with us!

In preparation for Term Two and with the positive experiences that have filled our school these last couple of weeks, I am excited about what our students will achieve throughout the rest of this school year. Mr. Pickering and I really enjoyed reading through all of the grade seven report cards and writing a comment to each student. It reassured me that our school is filled with loads of great children that will continue to develop and achieve excellence in many ways this year. Also, I was extremely impressed with our grade eight students and staff this month as they truly took advantage of the opportunity to work through the 'Get Real' experience as a true team. The messages of team building, leadership, empathy, and resiliency that came out of those two days from our grade eight students was nothing short of amazing! We actually had one community volunteer that was so impressed with the event and the students that they went back to their business and advocated for a donation!

I would like to say a special thank you to all of our community members and HJ Cody students and staff that volunteered their time to be a part of Get REAL at Fox Run and a huge thank you to our community partners that ensured Get REAL remains a constant force at Fox Run (FCSS, The Sylvan Lake Rotary Club, and The Sylvan Lake Endowment Fund). THANK YOU!

Please have a wonderful holiday season filled with safe and caring memories!

Sincerely,

Don Rattray

Principal

École Fox Run School



Remarkable Renaissance

November has been an awesome month, with lots of great activities and events being planned!

Grade 6 Renaissance has wrapped up the t-shirt logo contest, with the winning design already submitted to *Showdown Merchandising* for fine tuning. Stay tuned for the unveiling at the Term One Excellence Assembly on December 8th!

Grade 7 Renaissance is planning the November month end party, which will be on December 2nd. A fun and exciting game of 'Hide and Seek' will be held outside for all students that did not receive any HALP's and minimum B's for the month of November.



Grade 8 Renaissance is in the process of planning the Term 1 Excellence Assembly. Fox Run students and staff would love for family and friends to come on in and enjoy this much-anticipated event from 10:30am-12:15pm on December 8th.

All students that did not receive HAP's for the month of October were invited to attend the Haunted House on November 2nd, created by Grade 7&8 Renaissance students. There were homemade 'Witch Cookies', baked by the Science Club members, and enjoyed by 221 achievers.



Huge thanks go out to the following for staying after school to make delicious Witch Cookies for October month end:

Mrs. Gette, Mrs. Leedham, Lauren Arp, Jessica Beckwith, Bobbi Cerin, Hailey Declerck, Ann Duffy, Kassidy Mason, Hunter and Mitchell McDonald, and Michelle Swarbrick

Fox Run Renaissance is in the early stages of planning another HUGE 'Me to We' project for the 2011-2012 school year, so stay tuned for more details to follow. We're so excited to see what surprises are in store!

The Renaissance Team would like to extend an invitation to any parent(s) who would be interested in volunteering within our school. Please feel free to contact the Renaissance office. There is more information on the Fox Run website in regards to volunteer opportunities.

Fox Run Renaissance



Active Athlete

Congratulations to the following students for being active athletes for the month of November:

Grade 8: Jared Winder

Callie Seib

Grade 7: Grayson Nemish

Amy Busch

Grade 6: Blake Carrick

Megan Steenbergen

Sylvan Lake Youth Services AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS



BAKING UP A STORM

6 weeks: Tuesdays, Nov. 8, 15, 22, 29, Dec. 6, 13

Time: 4:00-5:00 **Ages:** 8-12 **Fees:** Local \$30 Non-local \$35
Learn to prepare delicious treats to share with your friends and family!

FLOOR HOCKEY

6 weeks: Thursdays, Nov. 10, 17, 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15

Time: 4:00-5:00 **Ages:** 8-12 **Fees:** Local \$20 Non-local \$25
Learn basic floor hockey skills in a fun, team focused environment!

For more information or to register please call 403.887.1137
All programs take place in the Family & Community Centre

École Fox Run School's

The Christmas Miracle

Thursday December 15th & Friday, December 16th, 2011



Adult Ticket = \$5.00

Youth Ticket = \$2.00

*"To: Fox Run
Drama Students
From: Santa"*

6:30-Doors Open
7:00- Show Starts

Students from École Fox Run School will be performing Fox Run's first ever drama production, "The Christmas Miracle". The performance dates are December 15th & 16th in the Fine Arts Centre. Tickets will be on sale in the office starting December 5th. All proceeds will go to the Food Bank.

Sr. Boy's Volleyball

Thank you to all the Sr. Boys Volleyball players for the 2011 year. It was a great season and a lot of fun!

Mr. Bichel & Mrs. Syrnyk

Band Winter Concert

École Fox Run School's grade 6, 7 and 8 Band students will be having a Winter Concert on Monday, December 12, 2011 at 7:00pm. The performance will take place in the Fine Arts Center. Please come out to enjoy a fun night filled with music.

Library News

Our Scholastic Book Fair was a great success. Thanks for all your support in purchasing books. The library was able to purchase a great number of books with the credits from the bookfair! The grade 6 classes won the contest for purchasing the most books out of the grade challenge. Thanks to Mr. Pickering for being a good sport and dressing up in a fairy costume and delivering timbits to all of the grade 6 classes!

The Alberta Society of Artists travelling exhibits will be in the library starting Jan 31st. Be sure to come and check this out anytime from 8am until 4pm. We will be showcasing "Imagined Texts-Exploring Community" it will be here until Feb 27th 2012.



Above Left: Mr. Pickering with Mme Searls grade 6 class

Above Right: Danelle Hoffman and Aspen Williams with all of our new Scholastic Books!!

Be a Christmas Angel!

The Angels Anonymous tree will be set up at Dairy Queen from December 1st to December 11th.

Help make a child's wishes come true!

Just choose an angel card from the tree, buy a gift and return it to Dairy Queen by December 11. The Sylvan Lake Christmas Bureau will deliver it to a child in our community this Christmas.

We are also in great need of cash donations, which can be made at the Servus Credit Union.



Candy Cane Sales

Candy Cane Sales will be held December 12th until December 20th. They will be on sale at lunch from 12:15-12:35 in the Fox Den.



Thank You!

Thank you to the following students for your help with breakfast program:

Regan Eisler, Shaylee Lukash, Baylee White, Alyssa Cossuta, Faith Kerik, Jordyn Shaw, Emily Eckenswiller, Aaron Pickering, Dalton Crego, Ashton Stephenson and Sheldon Trudel.



Commercial Kitchen

The \$5.00 daily lunch specials for December are bellow. Specials include choice of 1 side dish (vegg & dip/pasta or Caesar salad) & Juice Box (apple/orange/Tropical/grape-apple)

TUESDAY:

Hot Dog
Chili Cheese Dog
Chili & Garlic Toast
Poutine (No Drink or Side Included)

WEDNESDAY:

Grill Cheese
Pizza Sub
Chicken Burger
Soup & Sandwich Combo
(Egg/Tuna or Grill Cheese) **No Side Dish**
Soup of the Day on its own \$2.50

THURSDAY

Perogies & Sour Cream
Cheese Burger
Baked Chicken Parmesan Sub

FRIDAY:

6" Personal Pizza
Pepperoni or Cheese
Carrots & Dip & Juice Box
****Substitute Small wedges for Side Dish for additional \$1.00****
Substitute Milk for juice box for additional \$0.50

The last day for the Commercial Kitchen will be Friday, December 16th 2011.
It will re-open on Tuesday, January 10th 2012.

Christmas Contest

Guess how many **Christmas "Kisses"** are in the jar for your chance to win a FREE **\$5.00 lunch**. The person who guesses correctly or the closest to the right amount will win the lunch; the next 3 "closest" guesses will win a Hot Chocolate & a Cookie!! NEW for this contest, there are 2 added bonus Mystery Prizes to be won!! To enter the contest, you must:

PRE-ORDER YOUR LUNCH,

Fill out the back of your lunch slip with your name & guess on the back. Contest will run from December 1st – December 15th. The winner's will be announced on Friday December, 16th. Thanks for PRE-ORDERING and playing along

GOOD LUCK TO ALL!!

Team Pictures

Team pictures will be on Wednesday, December 7, 2011 at 9:00am in the gym. Please fill out the order form and return to the photographer on picture day. The following sports teams will be photographed: Volleyball, Cross Country Running and Band.

