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Spell-A-Thon

The recent Spell-A-Thon, sponsored by Brookwood School Association, was a huge success profiting over \$9 000. This will be used for paying for the grade 3 and 4 replacement park.

The top earners were:

David Robertson 3M

Serenity Drew 2V

Nicola Nernberg 1K

Abigail Buchannon KF

Ada Reid KM

These students' names were put in a draw for a \$100 TLC gift card. The grand prizewinner of the hockey jersey and

Saints hockey tickets was Nicola Nernberg from 1K.

Thank you to the Spruce Grove Saints for the donation of the family pass and to Ted from Attplay for the donation of the jersey. Thank you to all the students and families that participated.

Student Celebration Assembly

The next Student Celebration Assembly will be on Thursday, December 21 at 11 am. Please note the time as it is at a different time than our usual assembly time.

We will be sharing student learning, as well as, participating in some carol

singing. We will be doing the Student of the Month and School Pride draws.

Grade 3/4 Concert

Our Grade 3/4 Concert "A Place in the Christmas Choir". It was fabulous show! Our grade three and four students worked hard and put on a memorable show. There are many people to thank for its huge success.

- Thank you goes to our staff Music Team Mrs. Jamieson, Mrs. Ryan, Mr. Sherington, Mrs. McAllister, Miss. Fiala, Miss Stewart and Mr. MacKay.
- Thank you to our acting coach Mr. Sherington and to Miss. Fiala for helping with choreography.
- Thank you to Mrs. Vasileff, who coordinated and designed the actors faces and helped to apply make-up.
- Thank you to our practicum students Rebecca Smegal and Sydney Lazarowich for helping with make-up.
- Thank you to Miss Robinson for her help with the beautiful displays.
- Thank you to our Grade 4 backstage tech helper McKenzie Steeves who worked with Mr. MacKay backstage.
- Thank you to our School Council for their financial support of our concert.
- Thank you to grade four students, **Wyatt Pennoyer** and **Dylan Schneider**, for running the slideshows for the concerts.
- Thank you to all Grade 3 & 4 staff for their help during practices and during the concerts.

- Thank you to our caretaking staff for their help.

Last, but not least, a huge thank you goes to Miss Stewart for her work coordinating and leading the whole concert. She is amazing!

Kinette Hampers

Thank you to our Brookwood families for their response to our Kinette Hamper collection. Many families Christmas will be made much brighter with your generous donations. Thank you goes to Mr. Ballerman and Mrs. Iniban, a couple of our parents, who delivered the hamper items to the depot. Their time to do this was appreciated.

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

Thank you to all the volunteers who attended this week's Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. Thank you to all of our volunteers for the work that you do in our school. Our school is a better place with the help of our volunteers! Please stop by the office to pick up a small token of appreciation when you are in volunteering over the next couple of weeks.

Pajama Day

Grade Four Student Leadership Team 1 will be sponsoring Pajama Day on Thursday, December 21. Student and staff are encouraged to wear their favorite pajamas to school that day.

The 12 Days of Fitness – Wellness Theme

This month, Brookwood students are learning how to stay active during the holiday season through our theme "The 12 Days of Fitness." Ask your child what we are doing here at school each day.

Here are some fun ideas for your family to do at home:

- Grab your skates or sled and head outdoors to the local outdoor or indoor rink or toboggan hill.
- Build a snowman.
- Go cross-country skiing or downhill skiing/snowboarding.
- Go for a winter walk.

This year, go beyond the holiday hustle and bustle. Get your family to participate in fun, refreshing activities that brighten your spirit. Here are some ideas:

- * Spread some cheer! Volunteer at local charities. They always need extra help during the holiday season.
- * Check out the local festivals happening in Spruce Grove and Stony Plain.
- * Hold a contest in your neighborhood to see who can build the biggest snowman.
- * Go caroling around your neighborhood.

Cobs Bakery Fundraiser

Brookwood School Association **wants to remind Brookwood parents about the ongoing Cobs Bakery Fundraiser.** It is easy and brings in funds for the school. Each time a purchase is made at COBS and the buyer indicates that they would like to contribute to Brookwood School; a 5% donation of the total sale will be

directed to the school. A cheque will be presented annually to Brookwood School.

-Thank you from
Brookwood School Association

Picture Retake Orders

On-line picture orders are welcomed until December 15.

Christmas Teas and Grade Three and Four Concert for 2017-2018

We would encourage you to write down the dates of your child's Christmas Concert or Christmas Tea on your calendar immediately so that you can begin making plans to attend.

Afternoon Christmas Teas -

Kindergarten, Grade One and Grade Two - These will be class performances for each class. Parents are asked to mark their calendars and if possible, to please arrange to join us.

The Christmas Teas are scheduled as follows:

- December 13, 2017- 11:00 a.m. - Kindergarten Nachi (M/W) and Kindergarten Fraser (M/W)
- December 13, 2017 - 1:00 p.m. - Kindergarten - Kindergarten Forsyth and Kindergarten McRae (M /W class)

- December 13, 2017 - 2:30 p.m. - Grade 1 Jensen and Grade 1 Simmons
- December 14th, 2017 - 11:00 a.m. - Grade 1 - Semeniuk
- December 14, 2017 - 1:00 p.m. - Grade 1 - Couch and Grade 1 Dane
- December 14, 2016 - 2:30 p.m. - Grade 1 - Shurnaik and Grade 1 - Paulson
- December 15, 2017 - 11:00 a.m. - Grade 2 Schoepp and Grade 2 Harrison
- December 15, 2017 - 1:00 p.m. - Grade 2 - Montgomery/McAllister and Grade 2 Sandhu
- December 15, 2016 - 2:30 pm. - Grade 2 - Vasileff and Rachuk

The format and procedure for these productions are as follows:

- 1 Parking will be available for parents/guests in the staff parking lot in the front of the school.
- 2 Parents/Guests should arrive no sooner than 10 minutes before the start time. Please do not arrive early. Note that this will allow the previous group to leave the gym and parking lot and it will allow students and staff to replenish snacks and refreshments between performances.
- 3 Parents/Guests will enjoy snacks and refreshments. Parents/guests will have an opportunity to visit and enjoy the Festival of Trees, which are on display around the gymnasium.
- 4 The Tea performances will start right on time. At the start time, students will enter the stage area and begin their Christmas Performance for parents and guests. Performances are approximately 20-25 minutes, depending on the group.

We look forward to seeing you at our Christmas Teas!

