

November 25, 2022

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Welcome to last week of November,

Matsqui hall lighting is tonight.

As you may or may not know we have been busily planning for some wonderful events that are happening over the course of the next two weeks.

- Teachers have been preparing report cards, getting things ready for our Nov 30th Wreath Making-parent night out, Seven Teachings assembly on Dec 1, our Writing Day event for families on Dec 2,
- As well as the big Christmas Concert and Christmas store 😊



Please don't hesitate to reach out. Our school district received a one-time funding from the Ministry of Education and Child Care to help families with the rising costs of food, clothing and school related fees. Each school received funds to support their families.

If you feel like your family could use some support for these rising costs, please email Scott Peters at: scott.peters@abbyschools.ca



Only Mrs. Bennato and Mr. Peters receive these emails, and to respect your privacy, your requests will remain confidential. As circumstances change for all of us throughout the year, I will continue to reach out.

Upcoming Events of Importance: Seven Teachings Assembly- Dec 1, 2022

We have been engaging students with one of the Seven Teachings during the month of November. With the help of Mrs. Kitchekeesik students have learned about what it is to be respectful. Each teacher will nominate a single student to be recognized for the ways they demonstrate RESPECT and they will be recognized at our assembly in the gym. Parents of those nominated will be contacted by our staff to ensure they have a chance to attend.



Writing Day is on Dec 2nd, 2022

Please join us for our annual Writing Day which takes place on Dec 2nd, from 1:30 pm until 3:00 pm in our gym. We will have a hot chocolate station, the postmaster to buy stamps from, a Santa to hear children's Christmas wishes, as well as tables for our families to write and decorate letters to Santa and fellow family members.

Holiday music will play in the background while you make memories with your family, sip hot chocolate, eat snacks, and decorate cards.

- We need stickers and crayons donated for our writing stations. Please continue to send them in
- Families are encouraged to bring cookies and fruit for snacks to hand out during the write

Christmas Concert-

- We will be holding our Christmas concert rehearsal on December 13th at the Matsqui hall. Students will be walking over to practice for the big day.
 - The Christmas Concert will be held on Dec 14th at 1:30 pm and 7:30 pm at the Matsqui hall.

Christmas Store

- We will be setting up a Christmas Store in the gym on Dec 14th and 15th where students will be able to buy an envelope of 5 coupons for \$5. All items in the gym will be priced at one token.
- This will allow our students to shop for gifts for their family and friends.
- Divisions will be randomly drawn to come down on both days to select 2 items on Dec 14th and the remaining 3 on Dec 15th to ensure everyone gets a chance to shop
- We need donations to continue to come in from our families to display on tables for our kids.
- Please drop off your donations off at the office until Dec 13th.

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- 1. Visit https://fundraising.purdys.com/
- 2. Select "JOIN A CAMPAIGN"
- 3. Enter 23099 as the Campaign Customer Number



Fuel Up Lunch Program



If you register, you will receive a monthly menu. You may choose which days you wish to purchase a lunch.

There are Gluten Free and Vegetarian options. You can order or cancel your order 2 days before delivery at noon. See the quick start up guide below as well as the menu for the remainder of November. The "CAMPUS CODE" is 'Mathxwi'. It is case sensitive. To create an ordering account: Follow these instruction.

- 1. Visit www.abby.ahotlunch.ca/login
- 2. Select 'Click Here' to create an account
- 3. Fill in parent information
- 4. On the left panel, select 'Children' Located at the top right corner
- 5. click 'Add Child' Enter your child's full name, grade, and class division Campus code *Mathxwi*.
- 6. Save your child's profile

PAC - Everyone is welcome!

Join the next PAC Meeting on Dec 8 at 7pm!

Questions? Email PAC @ mathxwipac@gmail.com



President – Jennifer Babcock
Co-Vice-Presidents - Lori Swan and Brandi-Lynn Patenaude
Secretary - Nadine Cameron Treasurer – Alaina Sprietsma
Hot Lunch Coordinator - Ashley Pickett
Below are the dates for this year's PAC meetings. We hope you can join us!
November 9, December 8, January 12, February 9, March 9, April 13

Orange Crosswalk

We will be getting this completed during Spring Break. This project is a gift from our PAC and is a small step towards our school's commitment to truth and reconciliation. After meaningful consultation with our PAC, Staff, District and the Indigenous Education Committee, we would like to share that an orange feathered crosswalk will installed at Mathxwi to welcome students and families into our school.



Riding the Waves of Parenting Our next class is Nov 30th at 7:00 pm in the LLC

On the Horizon

Nov 30- Riding the Waves- LLC 7:00 -8:00 pm

Nov 30- Wreath making for families- 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm (sign up through school cash online)

Dec 1- Seven Teachings Assembly:

Dec. 2 - Writing Day 1:30pm - 3:00pm

Dec. 2 – Report Cards Home

Dec 8- PAC mtg 7:00 p.m.

Dec. 14 - Christmas Store open to parent/caregivers (3-3:30pm and 6-6:30pm)

Dec. 14 - Christmas Concert @ Matsqui Hall - 1:30pm Matinee & 7:00pm Evening Performance

Dec 15 – Christmas Store open to students

Dec 15 – Pajama Day

Dec. 16 – Last Day Before Winter Break

Dec 16- Ugly Sweater Day

Jan. 3- School Re-Opens