



# COPPER CLIFF PUBLIC SCHOOL

## HOME OF THE CRUSHERS

DECEMBER 2017

### INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather, listen to the radio for cancellation of buses and classes.

In the interest of the safety and well-being of staff and students, classes will be cancelled when weather conditions warrant such action.

To find out if schools are closed or buses are operating, please listen to the radio. Every attempt will be made to announce class cancellations on the various radio stations by 7:00 a.m.

In extreme conditions, there may not be anyone present to receive students upon their arrival. So please listen to the radio in the event of inclement weather. If schools are closed, please do not bring your child to school.

If schools are open but buses are cancelled and you drop your child off, please remember that you must pick your child up at the end of the day. **If you decide to let your child remain home and they normally walk to school, please remember to notify the office.**

### CHRISTMAS CONCERT

"Tis the Season..." for our annual CCPS Christmas Concert! It will take place on Tuesday, December 19th at 6 PM (in the event of inclement weather on this date, the concert will be changed to Wednesday, December 20th at 6 PM). All classes as well as our own musical groups will be performing a variety of selections for your entertainment. Don't forget to bring money to buy some delicious baked goods after the concert to help support the school. If you cannot attend the evening concert, we will be having a dress rehearsal on Monday, December 18th at 11:30 AM that you are welcome to attend, but keep in mind it is a rehearsal and may not be as polished as the Tuesday evening performance. More details will be sent home by your child's teacher regarding costuming and arrival times closer to the concert date. We look forward to seeing you on December 19th!

### CANDY GRAMS

Students will be selling Candy Grams from December 4 to 15 during first nutrition break for 50¢. Send a special message to a friend and get a sweet treat! The Candy Grams will be distributed each day at the second nutrition break and proceeds will go towards supporting the Edgar Burton Food Drive.

### ANNUAL BAKE SALE

We will be holding our annual bake sale again on the day of the the Christmas Concert (December 19) and we are looking for families who would be interested in donating baking to sell as part of our ongoing fundraising. We are asking that all baking be brought to the school on Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, so that we can package and sell it the day of the concert. Please only bring cookies and/or squares (nut free) as we will be making assorted trays. Baking will be sold for \$5.00 a tray. The School Council Bake Sale Committee thanks you for your ongoing support.

### EDGAR BURTON CHRISTMAS FOOD DRIVE

Copper Cliff Public School will once again be participating in the Edgar Burton Food Drive this December. All items donated will be given to the Sudbury Food Bank and will support families in need in our area. Our food drive will run from December 1-19. The class collecting the most items per capita will win a pizza party. Please remember that packaging cannot be dented or torn. Also food cannot be donated if passed the best before date. Thank you for your generosity!

### CHRISTMAS DANCE

On Wednesday, December 13 we will hold our annual Christmas Dance for students in grades 6-8 in the gymnasium. Refreshments will be sold during this event. A permission form will be sent home shortly to confirm attendance and arrangements for pick-up.

### HOURLY OF CODE

Hey CCPS students; did you know that next Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> we will be hosting our second Hour of Code event! What is hour of Code? Hour of Code is when our entire school participates in coding on the same day. Create a new app...create a new adventure with R2D2, create your own Elsa and Anna game...program your own Minecraft game...the possibilities are endless! How many lines of code do you think you can write?

### CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Raffle tickets will be on sale for a "Garden Bench" crafted and donated by Mr. Leveille. Tickets will be sold for \$2.00 or 3 for \$5.00. The draw will be held after the concert on December 19.



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### **TIM HORTON MEMORIAL CAMP - Parent Meeting January 24th**

Ms. Labine (6/7 class), Mrs. Ricci (5/6 class), Ms. Blais and Mr. Jouppi's classes will have the opportunity to attend Tim Horton Memorial Camp in Parry sound. The first visit will be February 27 - Mar 1, 2018 and a visit later in the spring, May 1 - 4, 2018. In preparation for this trip parents are invited to the school on Wednesday, January 24 @ 5:00 pm for an information session and an opportunity to ask questions. We will be Skying with the THMC staff. Students will participate in a values program (Great Beads) which includes activities in goal setting, peace, relationships, teamwork, challenge, responsibility, motivation and reflection while engaging in indoor and outdoor activities. We look forward to partnering with THMC to develop our student leaders in our school! There is no cost to the school to participate. More information and permission forms will follow.

### **BLANKET EXERCISE**

Grades 6/7/8 will be participating in a Blanket Exercise on Friday, December 8, lead by Cynthia Belfitt of Laurentian University. As a continuation to the students' learning during Treaty Week, the goal of the Blanket Exercise is "to build understanding about our shared history as Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada by walking through pre-contact, treaty-making, colonization and resistance. Everyone is actively involved as they step onto blankets that represent the land, and into the role of First Nations, Inuit and later Métis peoples. By engaging on an emotional and intellectual level, the Blanket Exercise effectively educates and increases empathy." Following the activity, the students will be participating in a Pot Luck Feast.

### **PICKING UP STUDENTS**

Parents are reminded that when picking up students at the end of the school day, to wait in the main foyer at the benches. We ask that you do not walk through the hallways to your child's locker area. This is an extremely busy time of day and the safety of our students depends on organization. Students seeing parents and leaving without notifying the teacher causes chaos with bussing, daycare and regular end of day routines. Your cooperation in following our safe school policy is greatly appreciated.

### **YARD SUPERVISION**

Teachers will be on the schoolyard at 8:30 a.m. to supervise students. In the interest of safety of our children, please ensure that your child does not arrive at school until 8:30 a.m. Thank you for your cooperation in this regard.

### **WINTER CLOTHING**

**With colder weather approaching, please ensure you children are dressed appropriately for the weather.** Once again, we remind parents to please label your child's winter clothing with their name as required. This will make it easier for our younger students to dress for the outdoors and lessen the chance of losing personal clothing.

### **FAMILY INFORMATION**

Please remember to notify the office of any changes to contact numbers, addresses and email. It is very important that we have up to date information for our students in case of emergencies. Current health card version codes are also important information that needs to be updated. When you receive a new health card for your child please remember to inform the school. We are now sending communication home electronically and need updated email information. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **SPECIAL FOOD ORDERS**

**When ordering food for our special food days parents are asked to please send separate cheques or exact money for each order. For instance, if your child is ordering pizza, wraps and Herc's please send in three different payments. Each order is put towards a different purpose. To ensure your child receives their proper order we ask that all payments are made on time and individually so that we may avoid errors. We also ask that payments for field trips and other special events are also paid separately and not included in food payments. Thank you for your cooperation.**

**Christmas Holidays start on Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 and the first day back to school is January 8th, 2018. Have a safe and happy holiday!**