Pangman School

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The holiday season is fast-approaching. Students and staff are busy preparing for many exciting events including our annual Christmas Concert and Awards Night on December 18th. We welcome all community members to kick off the holidays with this entertaining evening. Other festive events will be taking place at our school during December, including the Bazaar in the Pangman School Gym, the SCC's Christmas activities, an optional Christmas ornament exchange and a Christmas character dress up day. Please see the calendar for dates. Wishing you all safe and happy holidays.



Merry Christmas from the staff of Pangman School!



Pangman School Presents

The Twelve Days of Christmas



by the K-5 Classes

and



Christmas Skits

by the 6-8 Class Thursday, December 18th at 7:00p.m.

Pangman School Gym

Academic Awards to follow the plays.

Admission - A donation of a toonie or more towards the grades 6-8 WE Day project, <u>Ready, Set, Goat.</u>

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- 18 Stocking Decorating Contest
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- 22 Christmas Decoration Exchange (optional)
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January 5 – Back to School

Elder Armand McArthur spoke to students and staff regarding Indian Residential Schools on November 24.

Curling

The regular school curling program for Grades 5 -12 will start up after the Christmas break. A new program called "Little Rockers" is being offered to students in Grades 3 -6 to introduce them to the basics of the game of curling. This will be offered after school over a number of weeks. These events will take place in the new facility in Ogema. If you are interested, please talk to Mrs. Myren.





SRC Optional Christmas **Ornament Exchange** On Monday, December 22, the

SRC will host an optional Christmas

Ornament Exchange. If you would like to

participate, please bring a new wrapped ornament

to the exchange.



Students of the Month for November



K-2: for his increased willingness to cooperate with Miss Quigley in the classroom during the month of November 2014.



Grades 3-5: for her consistent conscientious effort in her daily work, and positive leadership.



Grades 6-8: He consistently works hard and does his best work in class and always makes sure he has his homework before he leaves. Gabriel also holds the door open for the students at recess. This is just one of many ways he shows his kindness and helpfulness around the school.



Grades 9-10: for consistently being polite and respectful.



Grades 11-12: for her willingness to assist her teacher in P.E. and Food Studies. Her helpfulness is appreciated.



Junior Volleyball



Mentor Reading



leading O'Canada at the monthly assembly



Medieval Day

K-2 Christmas Stories

<u>Santa</u>

By Banny

Santa wanted to deliver the presents but he couldn't because he was too busy doing stuff. After he was done working, he could deliver the presents. All the kids opened them. The sandman delivered the rest. Santa Claus was sleeping. The sandman woke him up. There were more people who had to deliver presents. Santa had no more wrapping paper so he could not deliver any more presents around the world so then Santa found more wrapping paper for the presents. Santa Claus was reading a book for a little while. Then he fell asleep on the chair.

Eating Santa's Cookies

By Jaxon

Once there was a boy named TJ. He had a best friend called Logan. Logan was playing in the snow. So was TJ. Maddox came to play. Maddox brought Christmas presents. It was Christmas morning so they all went home. They opened presents. Santa gives presents to kids and other people too. I was at the North Pole eating Santa's cookies. I was happy. I think Santa is the best.

Santa Versus the Snow Monster

By Logan

Once there was a nice man named Santa. He was making kids happy making toys. He didn't know there was a snow monster in the woods heading towards Santa's house. Santa was sleeping, when he woke up he saw out the window. He saw the snow monster out there. Santa and his elves went out to fight the snow monster. The Elves and Santa threw snowballs at him. Santa won the snowball fight and Christmas was saved.

<u>Christmas</u>

By Callie

At my grandma's house there was a Christmas tree. The Christmas tree fell over because somebody bumped it. The presents go underneath the tree. The presents were okay when the Christmas tree fell over. Santa gave us presents. Santa goes to other people's houses at night.

Rudolf Got Stuck on the Power Line

By T.J.

Santa was giving kids presents and Rudolf got stuck on the power line. Santa turned the sled around to get Rudolf. Then Santa got stuck on the power line. The sled cashed and reindeer got tangled on the string of the sled. Then Mrs. Claus had to deliver the presents.

Santa Goes to the North Pole

By Hannah

Once upon a time there was an elf. The elf's name was Suzie. Suzie works really hard. She got to go with Santa Claus to give the toys out.

Santa Claus is Awesome

By Jonathan

Once upon a time it was a snowy night. Santa Claus went out to deliver the presents to all the children. He got stuck on the power line so Mrs. Claus helped Santa Clause get off the power line then they went delivering the gifts together as a family.

The Day Christmas Was Born

By Connor

Once there was a guy named Santa and he went super fast. He got stuck on a roof and he went flying. His sleigh went through the roof and caught Santa. He went to more houses and hit a Christmas tree but he bounced backwards.

Ready, Set, Goat!

The Grades 6-8 students are supporting this wonderful cause. Donations can be made at the School's Bazaar on <u>December 6th</u> and at the Christmas Concert and Awards Program on <u>December 18th</u>.

Ready, set, goat! For a family in a developing community, one goat opens up a world of possibilities. A dairy goat means daily nutrition and income from milk, giving a family the chance to send their children to school. Every donation includes basic animal care training so families can turn their goat into an investment that will grow for years to come. **\$50 buys one goat for one family and takes them out of poverty.**





South East Cornerstone Early Learning and Care

Toys for Toddlers Ages 1-3



Toddlers are little explorers who learn by doing. Play gives children a great opportunity to develop and practice new skills at their own pace by following their unique interests. The toys and playthings children have available to them can shape their development in important ways.

Below are some ideas for choosing toys that will grow with children, challenge, and nurture children's overall development (thinking, physical, language and social-emotional skills).

•Choose toys that can be used in a variety of ways. Toddlers love to take apart, put back together, pull out, put in, add on, and build up. Choose toys that are "open-ended" in the sense that your child can play many different games with them. For example, wooden blocks or chunky plastic interlocking blocks can be used to make a road, a farm, a house or a vehicle. Toys like this spark your child's imagination and help him develop problem-solving and logical thinking skills.

• Look for toys that will grow with your child. Plastic toy animals and action figures, toddler-friendly dollhouses, trains and other vehicles, stuffed animals and dolls can be used by children for dramatic play which as they acquire more language will evolve into acting out stories from a book or stories they have created themselves.

•Select toys that encourage exploration and problem-solving. Play gives children the chance to practice new skills over and over again. Toys that give children a chance to figure something out on their own, or with a little coaching, build their logical thinking skills and help them become persistent problem-solvers. They also help children develop spatial skills (understanding how things fit together), hand-eye coordination, and fine motor skills (using the small muscles in the hands and fingers). Toys like puzzles, shape-sorters, nesting blocks or cups, art materials like clay, paint, crayons and play-dough are wonderful for building these skills.

•Look for toys that spark your child's imagination. At around 3, children become more creative in their play. They will often take on the role of someone else. Look for toys that your child can use as he develops and acts out stories. Pretend play builds language and literacy skills, problem-solving skills, and the ability to sequence (put events in a logical order). Dress-up clothing, toy food and plastic plates, toy tools, and even a large cardboard box are always a big hit for toddlers A box may become a house, pirate ship, tunnel or anything else your child's imagination can come up with!

•Seek out toys that encourage children to be active. Toddlers are doing all kinds of physical tricks as they are stronger and more confident with their bodies. Look for toys that help your child practice current physical skills and develop new ones. Toys such as: balls of different sizes, three-wheeled scooters, pull-toys or a wagon to fill and pull help gross-muscle development and coordination.

Most importantly, join in the fun and play with your child!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thurs.	Friday	Saturday
	1 DAY 1	2 DAY 2	3 DAY 3	4 DAY 4	5 DAY 5	6
	KINDERGARTEN	Hot Lunch	KINDERGARTEN Weyburn Red Wings Visit AM	Happy Birthday Joseph	KINDERGARTEN Panther Pride Day Version State K-2 Library Happy Birthday Hannah	Bazaar & Craft Sale 10 - 3
7	8 DAY 6	9 DAY 1	10 DAY 2	11 DAY 3	12 DAY 4	13
		KINDERGARTEN		KINDERGARTEN	Gr. 1-2 Care Home	
					Happy Birthday Levi	
14	15 DAY 5	16 DAY 6	17 DAY 1	18 DAY 2	19 DAY 3	20
	KINDERGARTEN Happy Birthday Ocean		KINDERGARTEN	Stocking Decorating Contest Christmas Concert & Awards 7pm	KINDERGARTEN SCC Community Christmas 11 - 3	
21	22 DAY 4	23	24	25	26	27
Happy Birthday Nikita	Christmas Decoration Exchange (optional) Christmas Character Dress up Day	Christmas Holidays	Christmas Holidays	Christmas Day	Christmas Holidays	Happy Birthday Jackson
28	29	30	31			
	Christmas Holidays	Christmas Holidays	Christmas Holiday	Holidays Dec. 23-Jan. 2 School starts January 5		