

December 17, 2021 Newsletter

Message from the Principal

As we are approaching winter break, I would like to thank students, staff, and parents for contributing to the Sangudo Community School that we are all so proud to be part of. Despite the challenges we continue to face due to Covid-19 mandates and parameters and the stresses surrounding the school viability study, we have had an outstanding first term with many opportunities for our students to demonstrate their amazing talents and passions. Thank you to all of the staff who have made these opportunities possible.

Jolly Jingle Shop was a favourite activity for students. Once again, the modified "shop from a catalogue", allowed students to still participate in this traditional SCS activity! The shop provides the students of SCS an opportunity to Christmas shop for their loved ones. Thank you to the wonderful parent volunteers who volunteered their time to create the catalogue, organize orders, purchase gifts, and wrap and deliver gifts to the school for students to take home. It was truly successful and we appreciate the flexibility of our parent volunteers and the extra work it required to meet the current requirements. Thank you!

Mrs. Vanderwolf, Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Kerr are working with students with a program aimed at providing reading and numeracy support for students in grades two and three. The program is designed to address the learning loss of our students by targeting specific literacy and numeracy needs of the learner.

Mathematics teachers have been working with numeracy consultant, Mrs. Tammy Leslie to continue to develop their capacity as mathematics teachers. Mrs. Leslie has provided resources and lessons to teachers, and supported teachers in planning specifically for their classes and students.

The annual Christmas concert was once again performed and recorded for families to enjoy. Mrs. Hagman and Miss Faulkenstein worked diligently with the grade six through nine students to polish several skits for the performance. Mrs. Vanderwolf and Ms. Pfannmuller practiced musical pieces with the kindergarten through grade five students. It was challenging to get enough practice with the multitude of days where buses did not run, but we did our best!

As 2021 draws to a close, I reflect upon all that we have faced during this last year. I continue to be in awe of the flexibility of our students, parents and staff as we continue to face challenges around the pandemic. As expectations or protocols change, I am confident that our team will continue to make adjustments and provide a happy and fun environment where our students flourish and receive a high quality education.

Please take time to enjoy the simple things and time with your loved ones over the break. I look forward to my holiday celebrations with my parents, children and grandchildren! May the Christmas holiday provide you with time for rest and relaxation, bundles of family fun, lots of fine food and Christmas merriment, and time with your loved ones and friends.

Many blessings for all of the Sangudo Community School families. Best wishes to all families for the upcoming holidays and I look forward to everyone's return in the new year on Tuesday, January 4, 2022! Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays Principal Pfannmuller



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<u>Christmas Concert at SCS 2021</u>

We had an amazing day recording the Christmas Concert Performances! We are excited to share what we have put together. The link is https://youtu.be/K4ctAwNX8hY. Enjoy the show!





Christmas Survival Guide

Please take a moment to read the latest article from our Northern Gateway Public School Student Support Facilitator, Tammy Charko. It can be found on our school website. <u>Christmas Survival Guide</u> Please refer to the NGPS website at ngps.ca for up-to-date information.



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*	SATURDAY	New Year'a Day			8		15	22		29	
its a new day. its a new day *	FRIDAY	31					14	21		28	
	THURSDAY	30			6 7		13	20	Beach Day	27	
	WEDNESDAY	29	Christmas Vacation		2		12	6		26	
	TUESDAY	28			4	First Day Back!	F	18	School Council Meeting 4:00 pm		
*	MONDAY	27			3	Christmas Vacation	Q	17 MLK Jr. Day		24	31 NO CLASSES PD Day
* *	SUNDAY	26			2		0	16		23	30