

Rutland Elementary

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Principal's Message:

Dear Parents,

The last few months have gone by in a blink of an eye.... Thank you so much to the parents who volunteer their free time to come and run the hot lunch program. PAC puts in a great deal of thought and time to ensure the hot lunch program is affordable and has a good variety of choices for the students. You may have heard from your child that Mr. Fitzgerald and a few other volunteers have started up the second annual season of intramural hockey for the winter months. This is a huge endeavor as we are trying to involve as many students as possible. You can support us by having a conversation with your child(ren) about the importance of showing up for their games as students get really upset if their team doesn't have enough players and must forfeit their game.

Primary Winter Concert K-Grade 3: As you may have noticed in our last newsletter there are two concert times: December 12th at 12:30pm and December 13th at 9:00am. **Both concerts are the same and we are asking parents to attend only one of the two concerts.** There are no tickets or limits on how many people from each family can attend but we do ask people to keep in mind this is a very popular concert and seating is limited. Please help all of us make this an enjoyable event by selecting only one concert to attend. The classes who are performing are Kindergarten through Grade 3. If your child is in Ms. Donkin's class, they will be participating in the Spring Concert with the intermediates. The students are working hard to get ready to put on a great show for everyone!

Principal, Mark Watson

Vice Principal, Jamie McEvoy

Dates to know:

December 9

Sports on Mats - Kindergarten

December 12

Primary Christmas Concert 12:30

December 13

Primary Christmas Concert 9:00
Report Cards go home

Dec 16

Sports on Mats - Kindergarten
Ice Skating – Wilkison/Cowell

December 18

Ugly Sweater Day

Dec 19

Green and Red Day
PAC Meeting 7pm

Dec 20

Pajama Day
Last day before winter break

Dec 23-Jan 5

School closed for winter break

Jan 6

School back in session

If you don't have the items for our spirit days, wear our school colors or your spirit gear!



Winter Break

School will not be in session from Monday, December 23rd through to Sunday, January 5th. We are back on Monday, January 6th. Have a wonderful holiday!

Cold Weather Reminders

The weather has been getting colder and probably will stay that way for the next few months. Unless the weather is extreme, students are expected to wait outside until the morning bell rings and they are expected to go outside for some fresh air at break and lunch time. Please ensure that your child comes to school dressed appropriately for the weather: warm clothes and gloves for the cold days and boots and rain jackets for the wet days.

Cold and flu season

One of the most important ways to prevent the spread of cold germs is to wash your hands! Thank you in advance for using the Safe Arrival School Messenger system to advise us if your child will be absent. Using this system saves our clerical staff valuable time. <http://www.sd23.bc.ca/schoolmessenger/Pages/default.aspx#/=>

Parking

A friendly reminder to not idle while waiting to pick up students. In addition, please do not stop or park in front of fire hydrants and the city bus stop. Thank you to those parents who arrive a couple of minutes after the bell at the end of the day to space out traffic congestion around the school.

Lost & Found

Our Lost and Found bin and clothing rack is overflowing and items will be cleared out and **items donated on Dec. 20**. Please feel free to come in and look for your child's belongings in the bin.



Spirit Wear

We have the Rutland Roadrunners Spirit Wear shop open now!

Visit <https://bcsportswear.tuosystems.com/stores/rr2024> to place your orders until midnight on December 8, 2024. All orders will be available before Christmas.

Photos From November

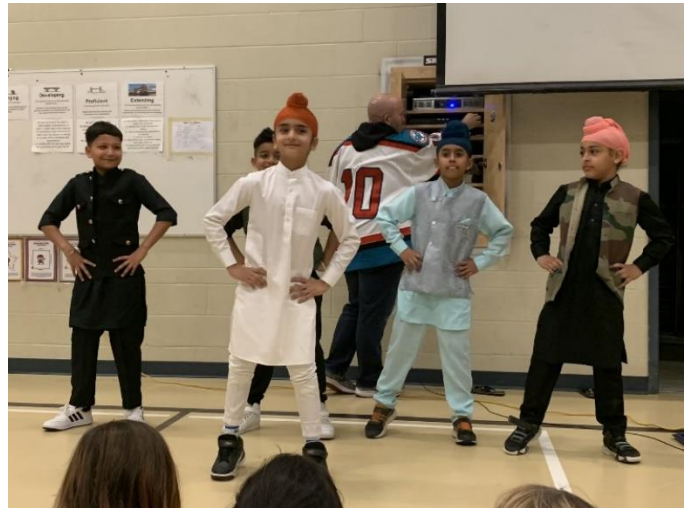


RDCO – Learning about Owls



Cultural Performance – Black Dog Quartet

Multicultural Week - Harmony Day



Crazy Hair Day



