



*Respect Enables
All Learners*

KAY BINGHAM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,
Wow! How did we get to December already? It is nice to be around the neighborhood and see Christmas lights and decorations going up. This means that a well-deserved winter break is just around the corner; however, it means a very busy few weeks leading up to the holidays.

Staff have been hard at work ensuring amazing learning opportunities and experiences for all classes, whether in their homeroom classroom, PE, or extracurricular groups. Our students are hard at work learning and engaging in opportunities for growth in various subject areas.

Please be diligent in keeping your child's school records up to date. If there is a change to an address, living arrangement, and/or legal or medical alert, please contact Mrs. Bonderud at the office and she can update your child's records.

Ms. Rosie Caputo, Principal

WELCOME TO SAFE ARRIVAL

We have noticed that there are a number of families not receiving the Safe Arrival calls / notifications. Please take some time to look at your preferences in the School Messenger (SafeArrival) system to ensure that you are set to receive both phone calls and emails from School Messenger. (If you would like, there is also a text option). Attached to the Newsletter e-mail is a PDF with information on the basics of the School Messenger (SafeArrival) system, and how to check your Preferences on the App.

INSIDE/OUTSIDE SHOES

Please ensure your child brings indoor and outdoor shoes to school every day. This is so important to ensure floors that are safe to walk on and kept clear of water and mud and to ensure the work our custodians do stays well maintained each day!

ACCESSIBILITY PARKING SPOTS

We want to sincerely thank you for your cooperation in keeping our school drop-off and pick-up zones safe and organized. As a quick and important reminder, we ask that you **never park or stop in the designated accessibility parking spots** on school grounds.

These spaces are clearly marked and are reserved for families and visitors who genuinely require them due to mobility challenges. Parking in these spaces, even for a moment, prevents those who need them most from accessing our school.

Please help us ensure our campus is welcoming and accessible to everyone in our community by observing all parking regulations.

PAC

A big thank you to everyone who is supporting the school programs through the Student of the Month Program, Craft Fair, Purdy's and poinsettia sales fundraisers. Our small, yet dedicated, PAC group works tirelessly to ensure classrooms and programs are supported through their generosity. Students continue to benefit from the amazing work done by PAC. Thank you for funding for:

- Bus rides to field trips
- PAC Student of the Month
- Subscription to *The Canadian Reader* resource

As always, parents/guardians of children at our school are members of our PAC and are encouraged to become involved in our school PAC. The next meeting is December 8 at 6PM in the school library.

PAC STUDENT OF THE MONTH

Once again, PAC is sponsoring a *Student of the Month* program. Each month, a student who exemplifies the ROCKS traits will be recognized from each class. Congratulations to our class winners recognized at the November assembly for doing such an amazing job being **Respectful, Organized, Cooperative, Kind, and Safe!**

Div 001-Ella Chicoine

Div 002-Keaton Taylor

Div 003-Ileana Whelpdale

Div 004-Zayne Umpherville

Div 005-Bronson Hine

Div 006-Racer Reeb

Div 007-Alisa Mustafaeva

Div 008-Marina Harvey

Div 009-Quinn Wesemann

Div 010-Luke Fletcher

VOLLEYBALL

We're so grateful for our wonderful coaches and teacher sponsor: Mrs. Dhaliwal and Ms. Wishnowski! They've helped our volleyball teams learn valuable skills, sportsmanship, and the rules of the game. Congratulations on a great season!

LEARNING UPDATES

On December 12, report cards will be published to the parent online portal. We are striving to be more environmentally friendly and thus will only print learning updates if formally

requested through the teacher. Should you require a paper copy, please make this request through your classroom teacher prior to the publishing date.

LATE DROP OFFS

Just a reminder that when students are late arriving in the morning, they should still go in through their classroom doors rather than the front office, so their teacher is the first person to greet them and knows they have arrived.

WATER BOTTLES

Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle to school each day. They can use the automatic water dispenser to refill their bottles.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Students have been preparing for our upcoming concert *Christmas Variety Show*. Continuing as we have in recent years, we will have two afternoon performances (1:15pm) on December 11th and 12th. Due to the fact that the majority of our intermediate students do not attend evening performances, it makes it very challenging for those few students to carry on without their peers. This year's performance will not be recorded and due to privacy regulations, no recordings of any kind are permitted.

You should have received a separate notice yesterday in regards to prebooking tickets and how the process will work. This will be a free, ticketed event, but we have a limited number of chairs available in our school and from the district.

CALENDAR EVENTS

November

- 29 PAC Craft Fair (Gym 10am-2pm)

December

- 1 Non-Instructional Day (Closed for students)
- 2 Spirit Day (Crazy Hair)
- 2 Henry/Kelly Skating @10:30am-12pm
- 5 Popcorn Day
- 8 PAC Meeting at 6pm in library
- 11 Christmas Concert Matinee at 1:15pm
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- 12 Learning Updates published
- 12 Popcorn Day
- 18 Brennan's class to Ridgeview Seniors
- 19 Spirit Day (Red & Green)
- 19 PAC Hot Lunch
- 22 Winter Breaks begins



January

- 2 Last day of Winter Break
- 5 First Day back to school
- 9 Popcorn Day
- 16 Popcorn Day
- 31 PAC Hot Lunch

February

- 2-5 Kindergarten Registration
- 6 Non-Instructional Day
- 16 Family Day (School Closed)