



BEST

**BERT EDWARDS SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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December 2025

Message from Mrs. Edstrom

With December arriving soon, students have started the countdown to the holiday. We wish all of our BEST families a safe and restful break. Thank you to our staff for their outstanding efforts in working with our students each day.

Important Dates

- Dec. 1st Professional Day
- Dec. 3rd PAC Meeting 6pm
- Dec. 5th PAC Mary Browns
- Dec. 5th PAC Cookie dough pickup
- Dec. 5th Raffle Basket Items Due
- Dec. 9th Purdys Pickup 2-3pm
- Dec. 10th Breakfast
- Dec. 12th PAC Movie Night
- Dec. 12th Learning Update Sent Home

December Spirit Days

- Dec. 5th Red/green day
- Dec. 12th – Winter Character Day
- Dec. 19th – PJ Day

BEST K-7 presents
A Christmas Carol
December 18th 2025

Morning Show

Doors Open 8:40am

Show Time 9:00am

Afternoon Show

Doors Open 1:10pm

Show Time 1:30pm

Winter Concert

Please note that all K-7 classes will be participating in our Winter Concert titled: “**A Christmas Carol**”. Our concert will be presented on December 18th at 9:00am and 1:30pm. **We will not be hosting an evening performance this year.** Further details will be provided by Mrs. Phillips as needed. Please access her blog here <https://mrsphillipsfinearts.weebly.com/> or on the Bert Edwards School website. Families can access songs and costume information here.

Visitor Access

If your child needs to be picked up early, please check in at the front office. Office staff will assist in getting students from classes while parents wait in the front office zone. This helps to eliminate disruption during learning time.

Salvation Army Hunger Hero Food Drive (Dec. 2nd - 11th)

Students are welcome to bring in non-perishable foods between Dec. 2nd and 11th for the Salvation Army.

Winter Expectations

Please review the expectations below. Winter can be a challenging time for safe play and organization of winter gear. These expectations are designed to help ease the challenges that winter weather can bring.

- Snow stays on the ground (no snow balls or throwing snow into air)
- Building structures with snow is permitted
- Dress appropriately for the weather
- Place/hang clothing in your locker or cubby

Students are expected to follow these rules after school as well. We have many students on the grounds after the bell and in an effort to ensure safety and continuity; students are expected to respect these expectations. We recognize that weekends and evenings are a different context and more flexibility at these times is understood.

PAC Christmas Concert Fundraiser 2025 Basket

Themes:

Farber/ Bowden- Arts and Crafts

Adams- Plants/Gardening

Denison- Movie Night

Duquette- Family Fiesta Taco Party

Ernst- Cozy up to Read and Write

Vermey- Outdoor Snow Day

Campbell- Spa/Relaxation

Hummel- Gingerbread House

Kershaw- The Grinch

Lovell- Baking

Unsworth- Puzzles/ Board/Card Games

Wood- Café

Families are invited to donate new items for class baskets. Items are due Dec. 5th and can be dropped off directly to the classroom teacher or office staff. Thank you in advance for your support!

Purdy's Fundraiser

A huge thanks to everyone who purchased chocolates and a reminder to pick them up from the school library on Tuesday, December 9th 2-3pm.

School District Parent Session

We are happy to present the following parent engagement session for December:

Presented by Interior Health's Eating Disorder Clinicians

Join Interior Health's Eating Disorder clinicians as they examine eating disorders, what they are and what you can do.

In this session, you will:

- Examine what an eating disorder is
- Review the signs and symptoms to watch for
- Explore what to do and how to respond
- Identify supports available in the community

This workshop will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, December 9, 2025, from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. If you are interested in attending, please register in advance [here](#). Following your registration, you will receive the link to the meeting.

Sports

A big thank you to Mr. Wood, Mrs. Unsworth, Mr. Kershaw, Ms. Vermey, Mr. Isenor and Mrs. Primus for coaching our volleyball teams. We are so fortunate to have so many staff coaches!

The basketball season will commence in January. Team rosters and schedules will be available in mid-January. Mrs. Unsworth will be managing the basketball programming at BEST. Please email her at aunsworth@sd73.bc.ca should you require any assistance.





BEST Skating Times 2025/2026

Date	Time	Location	Class	Class	Class
Dec. 3rd	10:15-11:15am	McArthur Island OLY	Lovell	Kershaw	Vermey
Dec. 10th	9:00-10:00am	McArthur Island OLY	Lovell	Unsworth	Wood
Jan. 7th	9:00-10:00am	McArthur Island OLY	Unsworth	Adams	Vermey
Jan. 14th	11-12	Brock	Wood	Ernst	Hummel
Jan. 21st	10:15-11:15am	McArthur Island OLY	Farber	Bowden	Kershaw
Jan. 28th	10:45-11:45	Brock	Farber	Bowden	Ernst
Feb. 4th	9:00-10:00am	McArthur Island OLY	Adams	Wood	
Feb. 11th	1-2	Brock	Denison	Campbell	Duquette
Feb. 25th	9:30-10:30am	Brock	Denison	Campbell	Hummel
March 4th	10:30-11:30	McArthur Island NHL	Denison	Campbell	Duquette

Happy Holidays!



The B.E.S.T PAC has a busy December ahead, filled with family fun and great ways to help support our amazing school!

Important Dates:

Wed Dec 3: PAC Meeting 6 p.m.

Fri Dec 5: -Mary Brown’s Hot Lunch

- Cookie Dough/Cheesecake Order Pick Up (see poster for more details)
- Raffle Basket Donations Due (see poster for more details)

Fri Dec 12: Jan Hot Lunch: Pasta Order forms and payment due

- Christmas Movie Night: The Grinch (see poster for more details)

Mon Dec 15: VIP Christmas Concert Package Winner Draw

Wed Dec 17: Baking Donation Drop off (see poster for more details)

Thu Dec 18: Raffle Basket Ticket Sale, 50/50 Ticket Sale, Bake Sale (Christmas Concert Day) (see poster for more details)



B. E. S. T PAC

COOKIE DOUGH & CHEESECAKE

PICK UP

FRI DEC 5TH

2:15-3:30PM

IN THE LIBRARY

***PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU MUST PICK UP YOUR ORDERS ON FRI DEC 5TH AS WE HAVE NO WHERE TO STORE THE COOKIE DOUGH/CHEESECAKE. IF YOU CAN'T PICK UP PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR SOMEONE ELSE TO COME ON THAT DAY.**

2025 RAFFLE BASKET CLASS THEMES **ITEMS DUE FRI DEC 5TH**

- Farber/Bowden- Arts and Crafts
- Adams- Plants/Gardening
- Denison- Movie Night
- Duquette-Family Fiesta Taco Party
- Ernst- Cozy Up to Read and Write
- Campbell- Spa/Relaxation
- Vermey- Snow Day
- Hummel- Gingerbread House
- Kershaw- The Grinch
- Lovell- Baking
- Unsworth-Puzzles/Board/Card Games
- Wood- Cafe

Looking for some family fun this weekend! Go check out ... *Winter at Privato!* ❄️

Event Dates:

Purchase a **family pass online** and use the code **BertPrivato2025** — Privato will generously **donate \$5 back to B.E.S.T.** (Family Passes: include entry, hayrides, Santa's Attic, family photo areas, firepits, and hot chocolate for the kids)

Exciting news! The B.E.S.T PAC is teaming up with **Nutter's** again for our **2025 Holiday Tray Fundraiser**. Take a look at the poster for everything you need to know!

THE B.E.S.T PAC PRESENTS
WINTER AT Privato
FAMILY PHOTO AREAS FREE HOT CHOCOLATE FOR KIDS
NOVEMBER 23RD-DECEMBER 21ST
WEEKENDS ONLY
U CUT CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE OPEN FIRE PITS
SANTA'S ATTIC 11AM-3PM PHOTO WITH SANTA
HAYRIDES 10:30AM-3:30PM
Buy your tickets ONLINE at www.privato.ca/winteratprivato
Use code: **BertPrivato2025** to purchase your family PASS and Privato will donate \$5 back to B.E.S.T



B.E.S.T PAC & NUTTERS EVERYDAY NATURALS CHRISTMAS TRAYS 2025

WHEN YOU PURCHASE ANY FULL-PRICE CHRISTMAS TRAY NUTTERS WILL DONATE 20% BACK TO B.E.S.T!

HOW TO PURCHASE:

- 1) GO TO NUTTERS AND PICK OUT YOUR TRAYS
- 2) USE THE CODE **BERT EDWARDS** AT THE TILL AND THE SALE GOES TOWARDS OUR FUNDRAISER!

FROM NOW UNTIL DEC 31, 2025

NUTTERS EVERYDAY NATURALS
440 SEYMOUR ST, KAMLOOPS, BC

TRAYS RANGE IN PRICE FROM \$16.95-\$84.95

THESE TRAYS MAKE THE PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT — FOR TEACHERS, COACHES, HOSTS, OR ANYONE ON YOUR LIST!

NOT ONLY ARE YOU HELPING FUNDRAISE FOR B.E.S.T., BUT BY SHOPPING LOCAL YOU'RE SUPPORTING A KAMLOOPS FAMILY-OWNED BUSINESS!

Shop small to GROW your community



THE B.E.S.T PAC PRESENTS
**CHRISTMAS
MOVIE NIGHT**

PUT ON YOUR CHRISTMAS
PJS AND BRING THE
WHOLE FAMILY OUT!
WE'LL HAVE PIZZA BY
THE SLICE AND A SNACK
CONCESSION WITH ALL
YOUR FAVORITE MOVIE
EATS AND TREATS!



DATE: FRI DEC 12TH

**The
GRINCH**

**DOORS OPEN AT 5:30
MOVIE STARTS AT 6:00**

bestpac2023@ gmail.com

THE B.E.S.T. PAC

Holiday

BAKE SALE

Donations

B.E.S.T. FAMILIES
 WE ARE LOOKING FOR BAKING DONATIONS FOR
 OUR HOLIDAY BAKE SALE HAPPENING DURING
 THE CHRISTMAS CONCERTS ON THURSDAY,
 DECEMBER 18TH!

IF YOU'D LIKE TO DONATE BAKING (HOMEMADE
 OR STORE-BOUGHT), PLEASE DROP IT OFF AT
 THE LIBRARY ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17TH
 — THE DAY BEFORE THE CONCERT —
 DURING ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TIMES:

- 🕒 8:00-8:30 AM
- 🕒 2:15-3:00 PM

THANK YOU FOR HELPING MAKE OUR HOLIDAY
 EVENT EXTRA SWEET! 🍪❤️

B.E.S.T PAC

**V.I.P Christmas
 Concert Package
 Raffle**

Forms Due Fri Dec 12th
 Draw Date Mon Dec 15th

**\$5
 per
 entry**

Winner will receive:
 V.I.P Parking
 V.I.P Front Row Couch Seating (for 2 people)
 Holiday Treat bag and coffee or hot chocolate



B.E.S.T PAC
Christmas Concert
Fundraisers 2025

Only on sale on Thu Dec 18

50/50

Raffle

\$2 a ticket

Baskets

\$2 a ticket

**CASH
ONLY**



Bake Sale

**Baked Goods,
Coffee, and Hot
Chocolate**



