



December
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Principal's Message

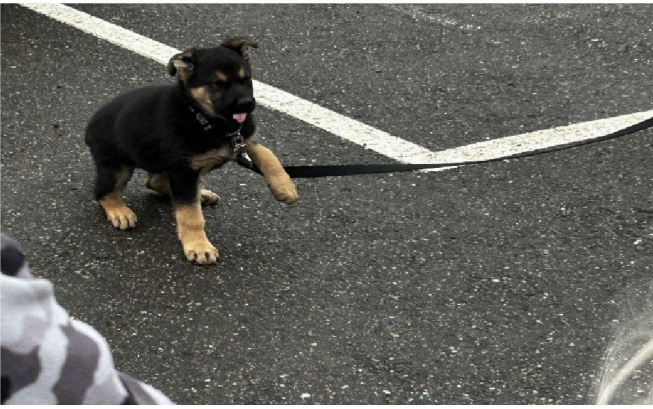
I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! I look forward to seeing everyone in the New Year as it is always a fresh start with new beginnings. It is the season to be with family and friends. Enjoy the time with your children and make memories that will last a lifetime.





Up and coming dates in the New Year:

- January 8th First Day back after winter vacation
- January 17th Handball 3:45-4:45 Aberdeen/Bradner, Hat Day
- January 24th Handball 3:34-4:45 Aberdeen/Bradner
- January 25th Robbie Burns Day Scottish Appreciation Day
- January 26th Parent Jam Session 9-11am
- January 30th January Student Birthdays
- January 31st Handball 3:45-4:45 Aberdeen/Bradner
- February Canadian Black History Month
- February 1st PAC Meeting 6:30-8:30pm
- February 2nd Groundhog Day, Dress like a Twin Day
- February 7th Early Dismissal, Parent Teacher Conferences
- February 8th Early Dismissal
- February 9th Lunar New Year at School
- February 10th Lunar New Year
- February 14th Valentines Day, Basketball Aberdeen/ Mathxwi 3:45-4:45
- February 16th Pro-D Day
- February 19th Family Day -No School
- February 21st Basketball Aberdeen/ Mathxwi 3:45-4:45, Crazy Hair Day
- February 23rd Parent Jam Session
- February 26th - March 1st Lacrosse workshop
- February 28th Pink Shirt Day, Basketball Aberdeen/ Mathxwi 3:45-4:45
- February 29th -Student Birthdays



What happened in November and December:

Floor Hockey

During the month of November students played floor hockey once a week after school on Wednesdays. Mt. Lehman did very well and had great sportsmanship. Fantastic!

Remembrance Day assembly

Mt. Lehman had its annual Remembrance Day assembly. It was a wonderful time when we had some of our classes participate in sharing the understanding of what Remembrance Day is about. We also had Dr. Captain Cameron Ross visit and share his experience with the whole entire school. Thank-you!



Gingerbread Village

What a fantastic gingerbread village that Mr. Stapleton initiated and worked on with Mrs. Wiebe. Both classes worked hard to collect cardboard from parents. Thank-you parents for bringing the cardboard in to make our gingerbread bread village. It was a fantastic day, and the kids were completely engaged with the great opportunity for experiential learning. Way to go Library Learning Commons teachers!



Christmas Concert

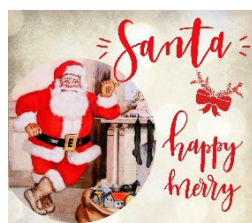
On December 19th we had our Christmas concert at 6:30 PM at the Heritage Alliance Church. It was a fantastic performance, and all the children did an amazing job working on their presentation skills and cheering in the holiday season!

Christmas Spirit Week

The last week of school was Christmas Spirit Week! It was a fantastic week of time where we dressed up as elves and wore Santa hats and put on some red and green. We had a movie day as well as a whole school caroling assembly. A group of grade 3/4/5 students have been working on an adapted vision of the "Nutcracker" They performed it for the school as a work in progress. Well Done!

Mt. Lehman North Pole

What a wonderful craft night with Santa photos. Everyone had a wonderful time crafting! Families had a chance to get together and socialize, and students visited 8 stations of crafting and decorating. The event included a story and photo with Santa. Hot chocolate coffee and treats were provided.



Parent Jam

Throughout the fall we had Parent Jam sessions once a month. Our Parent Jam sessions are a time when I open the library for parents to come and talk about school topics that affect their children. It is also a social time! There are always treats and prizes. Come and check it out on January 26th from 9-11am!

Hot Lunch

The students always love hot lunch days and I know that parents absolutely love hot lunch days as well. We have had some difficulty finding volunteers to help with distributing and preparing hot lunch. We still need parents to sign-up for hot lunch to happen. It is very difficult having only one parent preparing and distributing out hot lunch. Thank-you to those that have signed-up for hot lunch days. It is very much appreciated!

Diwali

In November students recognized Diwali. Students and staff were encouraged to dress in traditional clothing and informational lessons were provided for students.

Before and After School Care

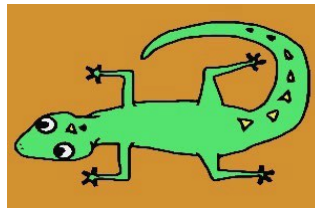
Before and after school care is taking off and is a huge success. If you are thinking about using the service, please let us know right away we're filling up.

Police Puppy Visit

We had the fortunate opportunity for the Police Department to visit Mt. Lehman this year. A wonderful surprise was when the Police Department brought their newest pup to the presentation. What a treat!

Reptile Guy

Students had the opportunity to have an in-school field trip with the "Reptile Guy". Students had the chance to interact with turtles, ferrets, snakes, spiders. What a wonderful time all of the students had and what a fabulous learning opportunity.



Halloween parade

At the end of October, we had our Halloween parade. Everyone circled around the gym and had class photos done. I really enjoyed all the variety of costumes that students were wearing at the Halloween parade. It was fantastic.

Scholastic Book Fair

The parents Advisory Council put on a scholastic Book Fair in November. It was a huge success. thank you for your support.



Attention Parents!

Hot Lunch Volunteers needed!

**Volunteering needs to be secured before the
Christmas break for hot lunch to
happen in the New Year!**

We need You!

SIGN-UP TO VOLUNTEER TO MAKE SURE HOT LUNCH HAPPENS!

We are going to organize volunteering by classroom

Mr. McAuley Div. 1 Jan 26 _____, _____ (2)

Mrs. Findley Div. 2 Feb 2 _____ (1) Feb 14 _____ (1)

Mrs. Wiebe Div. 3 Feb 23 _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____ (6)

Mr. Stapleton Div. 4 March 1 _____, _____ (2)

Ms. Plank Div. 5 March 8 _____, _____ (2)

Let your classroom teacher or the office know what day you will be
volunteering on. Thank-you from the PAC
