



SAVONA ELEMENTARY



December 2022

Our Mission Statement – To respect and enable learners to grow intellectually, emotionally and socially by providing a safe, nurturing environment that encourages risk taking.

Principal's Message

Christmas break is around the corner, a mere three weeks away. As we approach the end of 2022, it is with pride that we look back at what our students and staff have accomplished in the past 3 months. Learning continues to take center stage at Savona Elementary. Thank you to everyone for supporting our students.

The Christmas Craft Fair was a smashing success yesterday. Many thanks are in order, as a lot of work goes into organizing and running an event like this. Since this is a PAC run event, a big thank you goes out to their members for all their hard work. Many seniors from the community volunteered their time to wrap gifts for the students. It was great to see. Mrs. Lamberton and Mrs. Broad also did a lot of work organizing and running the event. Our Division 3 families donated sweets to sell, and we raised \$353.00 for the grad fund. Thank you to all!! Finally, I would like to wish our students, parents, staff, and the community of Savona a happy and well-deserved holiday. I hope the Christmas break affords all of us an opportunity to spend valuable time with family and friends and gives us all a chance to recharge. Happy Holidays Everyone!

Sincerely,

Scott Galloway

Scholastic Book Fair

We would like to say a huge Thank-you to all of the parents and community members who made purchases at our book fair and through the virtual book fair link. We met our \$1500 goal and were able to earn over \$450 in resources for our school!



Upcoming School Spirit Days

We have already had 3 school spirit days, Jersey Day, Hat Day and Flannel Day and we have 2 more planned this month. Friday, December 9th, we will have Hoodie Day and on Friday, December 16th it will be Pajama Day. We encourage students and staff to show off their school spirit on these days while wearing their favorite items to school.



Christmas Concert

This year, the students at Savona Elementary will be putting on “A Country Christmas” show. There will be two performances on Wednesday, December 14th at 1:15 pm and 6:00 pm in the school gymnasium. Teachers will reach out to parents to let them know if there are any costume items their child will need for the performance. We will also have food donation boxes at the concerts if you are able to bring in a non-perishable item to donate. A staff member will be dropping off donations to the Food Bank. We look forward to having parents and family back in the school to enjoy our Christmas play!



NON-INSTRUCTIONAL DAY **MONDAY, DECEMBER 5th**

Our third Non-Instructional day for this year will be held on Monday, December 5th. All schools in the district will be closed on December 5th.

CP Holiday Train



DATE:
DEC. 16 (FRIDAY)

TIME:
ETA 7:00pm.

LOCATION:
IN FRONT OF THE FIRE HALL

Join CP and celebrate the holidays by listening to great music and donating to help your local food bank.

MUSICAL GUESTS:
MacKenzie Porter
Virginia to Vegas



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cpr.ca/holidaytrain

HAMPER COMMITTEE ONLY ACCEPTING CASH DONATIONS #1

Cold & Flu Season

Cold and flu season is certainly upon us. Absences due to illness have been up all across the School District. We received some guidance from our Public Health nurse on when children should stay home from school.

Keep children at home if they have:

- a fever, and keep them home for 24 hours after the fever is gone away without the help of medication.
- Vomiting or diarrhea, and keep them home for 24 hours after the last episode
- a severe sore throat
- a rash with no known cause
- a severe cough especially with other symptoms like a runny nose and headache
- redness, swelling or discharge of the eyes, ears or skin, unless treated
- been acting unwell and have little energy to join in school activities.

Thank you for following these guidelines which will hopefully help to keep our absences down and people from sharing germs with their classmates.

Cookie Decorating

Students will be decorating gingerbread houses during the last week of school before winter break. We would like to thank our PAC in advance for providing the cookies, candy and icing.



Harper Ski Trip

Students in Mrs. Walker's and Mrs. Regan's classes will be going to Harper Mountain to ski or snowboard on Thursday, January 26th and again on Thursday, February 2nd. We will be sending permission slips and waivers home after winter break, but we wanted to let parents know as the price of the trip has gone up this year. The full 2 day package including lift ticket, lesson and rental has increased to \$120. If you need financial assistance with this trip, please check out the Student & Family Affordability Fund link on the banner of our school website or contact the office for more information.



Upcoming Events

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| December 1 | PAC Christmas Craft Fair |
| December 2 | Spirit Day – Flannel Day |
| December 2 | PAC Hot Lunch – Pizza |
| December 2 | Travelling library books due back |
| December 5 | Pro-D – No School |
| December 8 | Grade 6 Immunizations |
| December 9 | Spirit Day – Hoodie Day |
| December 9 | PAC Hot Lunch – Soup & Bun |
| December 13 | Christmas Concert Rehearsal |
| December 14 | Christmas Concert 1:15 pm & 6:00 pm |
| December 16 | Spirit Day – Pajama Day |
| December 16 | Hot Dog Lunch (if purchased) |
| December 16 | Last Day of Classes |
| Dec 19 - Jan 2 | Winter Break |
| January 3 | First Day Back |

