

SUCCESS for Every Student

Brier Park - December Newsletter, 2019

Dates to Remember

- Dec. 2 Quilt Raffle Ticket sales begin, \$1 each
- Dec. 4 Pizza Lunch
- Dec. 9 School Council Meeting, 6:30 pm, library
- Dec. 9 to 13th Fill a Bus Campaign...please donate non-perishable food items (voluntary)
- Dec. 11 Pizza Lunch
- Dec. 18 Pizza Lunch
- Dec. 18 Harvey's Night, Walter Gretzky Drive, 3 to 7 pm
- Dec. 18 Christmas Open House, 6 to 7:30 pm- at Brier Park
- Dec. 19 Month End Assembly, 10 am, gym
- Dec. 19 Gr. 6 to 8 Dance, 1:45 to 2:45 pm (\$3 admission, Open on Cashless On-line on Dec. 6th, closes on Dec. 13th 12 midnight)
- Dec. 20 Last Day of School until Jan. 7, 2019

A Message from the Principal...

Thank you to our families for their support this term. We are thankful for your support of our Harvey's Nights. We also appreciate your donations to the Sock Drive in October, the Coat Drive in November and the Fill-A-Bus campaign in December.

In November, we raised \$97 from our Quilt Raffle. Starting on Dec. 2nd, we will be selling raffle tickets for the next quilt. Tickets are \$1 each. The draw for the quilt will be on Wed. Dec. 18th at the Christmas Open House. The funds raised from the quilt raffles will be used to host a parent/child fitness night in 2020.



As well, our November Spirit Day raised \$135 for Strong Start. Thank you to all for your contributions. We have volunteers working with our students in grades one and two helping them with their reading skills using the Strong Start program.

I want to thank Ms. McGein for coaching the junior volleyball team, Mr. Neeb for coaching the intermediate boys' volleyball team, Mrs. Cowan for coaching the intermediate girls' volleyball team, Mrs. Dietrich and Mrs. Martyniuk for organizing and co-ordinating Strong Start, our School Council for organizing our Pizza Lunches, our Coffee Fundraiser, our Harvey's Nights and our Christmas Wrapping Schedule, to Mrs. Halabecki for organizing our Coat Drive, and Mrs. Vanka and Mrs. Coulis for organizing our Fill-A-Bus. We also acknowledge Mr. and Mrs. Rogelstad, Mrs. Hillier, Mrs. English, Mrs. Naylor, Mrs. Potruff and Mrs. Crump for their help with the Snack Program. If I have missed anyone, I do apologize.

A quick note about graduation and using Central Baptist Church...last year there were some family members smoking on the sidewalk or in the parking lot of the church during the grad ceremony. Smoking/Vaping isn't permitted on any public property and the church has asked us to insure families know the policy prior to June. If a person is smoking/vaping on their property this June, we will not be able to rent the church for 2021's grad ceremony. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

It is with mixed emotions that I inform you of our latest retirement. Mrs. Baxter has worked at Brier Park for over 15 years. She has made a decision to retire and yet as she retires, she has many plans. On behalf of us all, I thank Mrs. Baxter for her time at Brier Park, her contributions to our school and our school community. We wish you well. I know you have many exciting opportunities ahead of you and I'm excited for you.

As well, Mrs. Herron is off to Australia in January completing a teacher exchange program. We will her well as she ventures off to Australia. Ms. Oxley will be joining us in January, teaching kindergarten in Mrs. Herron's room. Upon Mrs. Herron's return to Canada in January, 2021, she will also be retiring. We thank Mrs. Herron for her efforts at Brier Park for the last 20 years!

I hope you have a great holiday, filled with fun, relaxation time and plenty of laughter.

Mrs. <mark>Brittain</mark>

