

## Minto Elementary and Middle School

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# January 2024 Newsletter

### **Celebrations of Success**

Thanks, Mrs. Ward, for a fantastic Christmas Concert and congratulations to all K-5 students and staff for a job well done. A special shoutout to our Middle School emcees, Quinn Hunter and Jasper Rumson, who did an awesome job! Big thanks to all who assisted. We also appreciate the work of Mrs. Ward's husband who came twice, to help set up and to also run the sound system so our students could be heard.

Great teamwork! © Thanks to Jeff Tibbo

Thanks to Jeff Tibbo for the huge donation of festive decorations that he made for our *Winter Wonderland* which we used again for our "Christmas Rhythmic Celebration!". Did you know our concert included some original work by Mrs. Ward?!

"Best Seat in the House" raised \$340 for our K-2

Team. Congratulations, Sherry LeBlanc! We hope you enjoyed your front-row seats, treats and VIP parking for our concert on December 20<sup>th</sup>.

MEMS Home & School's *Winter Wonderland*, held on December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023, was enjoyed by all in attendance. It was a great way to celebrate together as an MEMS family. Thanks, Home & School, for doing this for us! Thanks to parents and guardians who were able to attend.



#### **MEMS Breakfast Program**

Our **Breakfast Program** is available for all of our 340+ students. We are looking for **VOLUNTEERS** from around 7:15-9am. Please contact Joy or Melody at the school (327-7016) if you are interested in helping one morning (or more!) each week. Your time would be greatly appreciated. We cannot run the program without our wonderful volunteers.

Donations can be made through Memorials or at the MEMS school office.

Memorials have been received in loving memory of: Shirley MacBeth Donations have been received from friends of our Breakfast Program: Ripples Little River Convenience, Scotchtown United Church, and the Pentecostal Lighthouse Gospel Church

A donation for our Backpack Program has been gratefully received from Scott Young Ventures. Much thanks to all who donated to Christmas hampers which were given to school families.



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### MEMS Parent School Support Committee (PSSC) and Home & School Association

Our next meeting for the **PSSC** will be on Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024. It will be followed by our **Home & School Association** meeting. Our current PSSC members are: **Erin Bridges, Cheryl Colford, Lindsay Glenn (Secretary), Kayla Goodrum, Jolene Hall, Tara MacKenzie (Vice Chair), Denise McLong, Kyrie Nadan (Chair), Stephanie Ryder, Lorena Sivitilli-McAllister, Tammy Best (Teacher Rep), and Kynda Bryant (Principal). <b>Jim Mills** continues to serve as our ASD-W District Education Council representative. **Holly Oulton** and **Jennifer VanLaren** continue as members of our Home & School. To celebrate the season, our Home & School sold candycane-grams which Cubby helped to pass out.





In December, we had a school-wide Christmas dinner which was made by Kristie and Felicia from the cafeteria and paid for by the school. It was delicious. Thanks, Kristie and Felicia! The MS had a Winter

Formal with Ms. Doucette's class and Student Council helping with decorations. Everyone was dressed fantastic! For the last week of school, Student Council's proposal for a theme week was accepted. We had: Monday~ Ugly Sweater Day, Tuesday~ Holiday Hat Day, Wednesday~ Green/Red Day, Thursday~ Grinch Day, and Friday~ PJ Day. During the last week of school, the K-5 and a few grade 8's had their annual Christmas Concert. With Ms. Boissonnault's supervision, a group of Middle School students did Secret Santa. There was a \$15 limit. Happy New Year!

Submitted by Student Council Secretary, Jazmyn Powers

### **Athletic News**

Our Middle School is currently running two basketball teams: a Varsity Boys and a Co-ed. Have fun as you practice and play this season.

#### **Dates to Remember:**

January 26<sup>th</sup> half day (4<sup>th</sup> Friday); all students depart at 11:15am

(Professional Learning for staff in the afternoon)

January 27<sup>th</sup> National Family Literacy Day

January 29<sup>th</sup> PSSC meeting (6:30pm) followed by Home & School

