

North Memorial School Newsletter

Christmas Concert
December 15th
7:00 p.m.

Last Day of Classes
December 18th

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Code of Conduct

1. We treat the school and everyone in it with respect.
2. We come to school every day on time prepared to listen, learn, and complete all work.
3. We are a HANDS-OFF school.
4. We work together to make everyone in our school feel safe and happy.

Dedicated to the Pursuit of Excellence

SCHOOL NEWS

Chocolate Sales

Thank you to students, staff and families for making our chocolate fundraiser kick off a terrific success. We have sold approximately ½ of our goal.

Chocolate covered almonds, caramel, crisp and almond bars are on sale for \$2.00 each. Order forms are available at the office. Please send payment to the office and orders will be filled at that time.

Prizes for top sellers will be on display next week. Good luck and thank you for your support. All profits will be used to continue to subsidize extra-curricular events at the school.

Halloween Bake Sale

This event was enjoyed by all of the students. Profits exceeded \$250.00. Thank you to parents and staff for the wonderful treats.

Tri-Conferences/Book Fair

Thank you to parents who attended our recent tri-conferences.

Many parents took advantage of this opportunity to talk to and view their children's work and progress. Parental interest sends a strong message to students regarding the importance of education.

If you were unable to attend conferences and would still like to meet with teachers, you are welcome to do so by contacting the office at 857-4564 and making an appointment.

Winners of the draws that were held at tri-conferences were: Shae-lynn Beaulieu, Seth & Lori James, Skylin Turner and Victoria Timony. Several students participated in the contests held during the book fair. The winners were: "Assemble an Astronaut" – **Sadie Bates** – Kindergarten; "My Favorite Planet" – **Madison Beaulieu** – Grade 1; "Space Maze" – **Ladaya Twiss** – Grade 2; "Star Search" – **Lorielle**

Roulette – Grade 3; “Space Fill-In” – **Therae Racette** – Grade 4; “Scrambled Solar System” – **Keesha Beaulieu** – Grade 5 and “Planet Puzzler” – **Emily Hobson** – Grade 6. The door prize winner of \$25.00 worth of free books was **Laura Cole** – Grade 1 and **Miss Tully** was the teacher that won \$25.00 in free books for her classroom.

LOOKING AHEAD

Silent Auction

The North Memorial Home and School Committee will once again be holding a silent auction in conjunction with the Christmas Concert on December 15th. **If you have any items that would be suitable for this event please drop them off at the office prior to December 11th.**

Jingle Bell Breakfast

The grade 5/6 class are collecting food donations to take to the Jingle Bell Breakfast on December 4th at the Glesby Centre. From there, food donations will be distributed to needy families in our community by the Salvation Army.

Please have students drop off donations at the grade 5/6 classroom prior to the 4th.

Thank you for your generosity.

The North Memorial School choir under the capable leadership of Mrs. Smith will be performing at the Jingle Bell Breakfast. Parents are welcome to join Mrs. Smith and the choir at the Glesby Centre on the 4th. Exact times will be sent home at a later date.

Report Cards

Report cards will be issued Monday, December 14th to all grades. Receipts and envelopes are to be returned to school no later than **Thursday, December 17th.**

Christmas on Candy Cane Lane

North Memorial School is proud to present the musical “**Christmas on Candy Cane Lane,**” Tuesday, **December 15th at 7:00 p.m..** Students have already begun to practice the songs and are looking forward to sharing this wonderful musical with family and friends.

Christmas Holidays

December 21, 2009 – January 4th, 2010.

To all, Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

COMMUNITY EVENTS

H1N1 Flu Clinics

Portage Evangelical Church (Old Beaver Lumber Building)

72 – 3rd St. N.E.

Wednesday, November 25th 12:00 noon – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 26th – 12:00 noon – 7:00 p.m.

H1N1 Clinics in Central Region are now being offered to ALL RHA CENTRAL RESIDENTS who need or want and will benefit from the H1N1 vaccine

Santa's Parade of Lights

Friday, December 4th, 2009

7:30 p.m.

Along Saskatchewan Avenue from
Portage Consumer's Cooperative – Lion's Prairie Manor

Holiday Train

The 2009 Holiday Train will be stopping in Portage la Prairie during its 11th annual tour across Canada to assist the local food bank in collecting food and money donations. The train will be decorated with hundreds of thousands of festive LED lights, and will present a brief musical concert before continuing on its way. **The train is scheduled to stop adjacent to Centennial Arena on Sunday, December 6th at 5:00 p.m.** (may be subject to change, please plan to arrive at least 15 minutes early). Please remember to bring a donation for the food bank.

Portage Pony Club

We are seeking **new members from 6 to 16** who are interested in learning about horses and meeting new friends. Meetings in stable management are held approximately once a month where participants learn about caring for a horse, the parts of a horse, and necessary English riding equipment. Owning a horse is not necessary in order to take part in stable management, rallies, or quiz day, but availability of a horse would be required to take part in riding lessons or pony camp. Please contact any of the following members for more information.

**Rhonda Hannah 239-1272, Leslie Wishart 857-3311,
Monique Rutbeek 274-2146 or Maureen Britton 857-5199**

Autism Portage Support Meeting

The next Autism Portage support meeting will be held on **Monday, November 30th,
at the Tupper Street Family Resource Centre, 20 Tupper St. N.**

This month will feature a short movie about living with autism, followed by discussion and sharing. All parents, relatives, educators and other professionals are welcome to attend.

There will **not** be a meeting in December. **The January 25th session will feature a presentation by Christine Longford, with Child and Adolescent Mental Health of Central RHA. Topic TBA.**

To view the complete Autism Portage November eNewsletter, please check the school bulletin board by the front entrance or contact Mrs. Seaman for a copy.

