

# Pinewood Press

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## December 2019 Newsletter

### Principal's Message – Judi Poole

#### It's December!



I can't believe that December is upon us! As I write this, there is no snow on the ground; I will not hold my breath, however I do wish that we see some of the 'white stuff' fall from the sky so that we get a winter wonderland for our Winter break!

Our month of December is certainly a busy one, with Mass choir just around the corner, rehearsals for our Winter Concert entitled 'Santa's Holiday Hoedown', Salvation Army food drive, fun day and movie afternoon! Phew! We will certainly need a two-week break after that to regain a sense of equilibrium after all of the festivities!

We continue to celebrate the good work of students and appreciate the beautiful art work that is displayed in our library. We are also very proud of our latest written submission by Atlin in Gr. 2/3 as she carefully crafted and captured impressions of her 'Special Place' using all of her five senses. Well done!

I would like to personally extend my best wishes and happy holidays to families and staff and hope this it is a safe time spent enjoying all things holiday!

#### **ACTS OF CARING IN DECEMBER**

In December Pinewood School Community shows it cares by:

- donating **non-perishable food items** during the Salvation Army Food Drive
- donating **new mittens and gloves** of all sizes to decorate our "Helping Hands" tree in the lobby



#### **PINEWOOD MUSIC RAFFLE**

Pinewood is holding a raffle for 3 fantastic Christmas baskets. Tickets are **\$2 each** or **3 for \$5** and will be available the week of December 2, with the draw to be held at the Christmas concert on Wednesday December 18 at Key City Theatre. All proceeds will support the music program.



Grade 2-3 students engaged in reading!!

#### Upcoming Events

- ❖ December 4 – Community Connections program for 0-6 year olds, 10am-12pm
- ❖ December 4 – Skating, Gr 1-2 class
- ❖ December 4 – Mass Choir, Rehearsal in morning, Performance at 7 pm at First Alliance Church
- ❖ December 5 – Hot lunch (Pizza and BJ)
- ❖ December 6 – Pro-D, Students not in session
- ❖ December 9-13 – Salvation Army Food Drive
- ❖ December 11 - Community Connections program for 0-6 year olds, 10am-12pm
- ❖ December 11 – Skating, K and Gr 2-3 classes
- ❖ December 13 – Fun Day in afternoon
- ❖ December 16 – Bowling, Gr 4, 5 and 6
- ❖ December 18 - Community Connections program for 0-6 year olds, 10am-12pm
- ❖ December 18 – Christmas Concert, Rehearsal in morning, Performance at 6 pm at Key City Theatre. Raffle draw at concert.
- ❖ December 20 – Red and Green Day for house team points.
- ❖ December 20 – Movie in morning, Swimming in afternoon.
- ❖ December 21 – January 5 – Winter Break
- ❖ January 6 – School in session
- ❖ January 8 – Skating, Gr 1-2 and Gr 4 classes
- ❖ January 10 – PJ Day for house team points

**Snack Shack is Back!** Pinewood Grade 5 and 6 students are raising funds for an overnight trip in the spring. They are selling hot chocolate and other goodies for 50 cents each at recess on Wednesdays. **THANK YOU** to all the parents who have provided baked goods, to Cindy Chisholm for supervising the students selling items at Snack Shack, and to everyone who purchases items to support the fundraiser.



Thank you to Sheri Orr for spearheading a donation drive on Pinewood's behalf at Service Canada Cranbrook. Staff got together and fundraised for a much needed microwave for the Breakfast Club. On top of that they also donated gift cards to Save-On Foods for Breakfast Club items. Pinewood is very grateful for this lovely gesture of support for our Breakfast Club program and Pinewood students.

Thank you Sheri and Service Canada Staff!



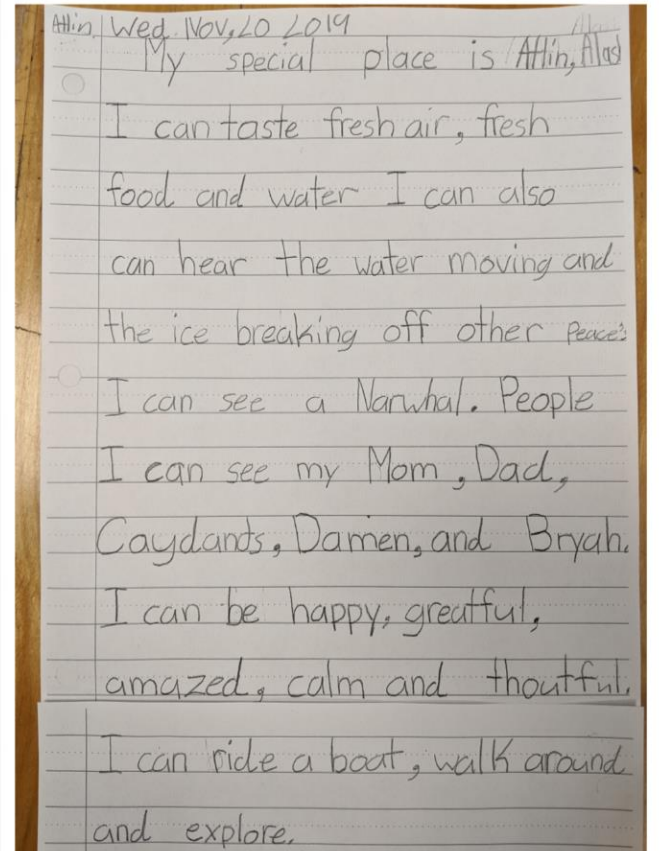
Neon Day in the Kindergarten Classroom!



Remembrance Day Assembly on November 7

### STUDENT WRITING

Each month we will feature writing from a Pinewood student. Please enjoy this "special place" submission from Atlin in the Grade 2-3 class.



**CHILDCARE SURVEY:** Childcare BC invites parents to complete an anonymous survey about child care programs and services offered throughout the province.

Complete the survey: <https://feedback.engage.gov.bc.ca/182347/eng-en>

Learn more about Childcare BC: <http://www.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/family-social-supports/learning-for-your-child/en>

