



Poplar Ridge School December Newsletter

Thank you families for attending the Remembrance Day Service,
Parent Teacher Interviews and Paul Davis Social Media Talk.
We look forward to the wonderful December events at Poplar Ridge.

Top things you need to know about Poplar Ridge for December:

1. **Academic Excellence** - We were able to meet with 96% parents during parent teacher interviews!
2. **Sincere Thanks**- A big shout out to families who donated cans and bottles for the bottle drive and purchased Purdys' treats. Thank you to the School Council for inviting Paul Davis in to talk with the grades 4,5,6 students and parents about age appropriate social media expectations.
3. **School Council**- Thank you to the parents who were able to attend the Nov. 29 School Council meeting. The next meeting is Jan. 17 at 9 am- everyone is welcome!
4. **Twelve Days of Giving Food Drive**- The grade 6 class is collecting for the food bank each school day starting Dec. 2. Items needed include: peanut butter, canned fruit, pasta, rice, baking products, canned soup, canned meat, cereal, canned vegetables, canned beans, juice boxes and grocery gift cards.
5. **Red Deer Christmas Bureau Toy Depot**- We are supporting the Christmas Bureau. Please donate if you can.
6. **Purdys Fundraising Pick Ups** - Purdys pick up will be on Thursday, Dec. 12. More info to come!
7. **Non Instructional Day**- No school for staff or students on Dec. 13.
8. **Christmas Spirit Day and a Christmas Lunch provided by the School Council**- We are encouraging staff and students to wear their favorite Christmas gear and also, our wonderful School Council is providing lunch for the whole school on Dec. 17.
9. **Christmas Concert**- We will be hosting our Christmas Concert on Dec. 19 with 2 daytime performances- 10 am and 1:30 pm. We will be opening up the playground parking - the same as in years past. Our theme this year is Canadian Tuxedo which means denim! We are encouraging our performers and families to wear denim if they have it. We are requesting that families attending the concert bring their slippers as we will ask everyone to take off outside shoes.
10. **Reindeer Games and PJ Day**- On December 20, grades 1-3 will be participating in Reindeer Games and PJ Day while the grades 4-6 are skiing. Stay tuned for more details to come!
11. **School Council Casino**- The Poplar Ridge School Council NEEDS you to save the date and volunteer for our upcoming Casino fundraiser! We can only apply for one of these much sought after events every three years and the dates we were allocated are December 28 & 29 so please mark your calendars, sign up with a friend and support this most important fundraiser. Several positions and shifts are available and all training is provided. Please ask if you have any questions at all. [Poplar Ridge School Council Casino](#)
12. **The Store**- Our school store is open on Monday/Wednesday/Friday for grades 4-6 and on Tuesday/Thursday for Grades 1-3. Kindergarten goes on the Fridays that they attend school. Each item is \$1.00. Items include: chips and ice cream. Thank you to the grade 6 students who manage the store.
13. **Facebook**- Make sure not to miss out on any announcements or photos. Follow us!

Dates to Remember:

- Dec. 2- 12 Days of Giving Food Drive Starts- follow us on facebook to find out the item for the day!
Dec. 6- Kindergarten Friday and PR School Spirit Day
Dec. 12 - Grades 4-6 Skiing
Purdys Pick Up
Dec. 13- Non Instructional Day- no school
Dec. 17- Wear your Christmas Gear and enjoy lunch made by School Council
Dec. 19- Christmas Concert Day - daytime at 10 am and 1:30 pm
Dec. 20- Reindeer Games and PJ Day for grades 1-3
Skiing for grades 4-6
Dec. 28 and 29 - School Council Casino! Please sign up!
Dec. 21- Jan. 5- Merry Christmas! Happy New Year! See you on Jan. 6!
Jan. 6- Welcome back to school!





Red Deer Christmas Bureau Society

#2 4630 61 Street Red Deer, AB T4N 2R2

AGE 0-3

- Baby Clothes
- Mitts, Slippers and PJs
- Blankets
- Wooden Puzzles
- Little Tikes Toys
- Melissa & Doug Toys
- Sorting type toys
- Rattles
- Bottles/Diapers
- Lotion/Soaps
- Soothers

AGE 4-6

- Building Toys
- Barbie Dolls and Accessories
- Tonka Toys
- Markers and Crayons
- Hot Wheels
- Fisher Price Toys
- Sports Equipment
- Scooter
- Disney Toys
- Nerf Toys

AGE 7-9

- Blankets
- Lego
- Remote control cars
- Sports Equipment
- Star Wars
- Scooters
- Musical Instruments
- Headphones
- Skateboards
- Art or Craft Kits
- Hair Brush Sets
- Hair Dryer
- Straighteners/Curling Irons

AGE 10-12

- Drones
- Lego
- Salt rock & Lava Lamps
- Table top Air Hockey/Foosball Game
- Head Phones/Ear Buds
- Remote Control Vehicles
- Karaoke Machine
- Make up/Perfume
- Art & Craft Sets
- Sports Equipment
- Puzzles up to 500 pieces
- Hair Accessories
- STEM Toys

AGE 13-17

- Make up/Brush Sets/Perfume
- Shampoo/conditioner
- Hair Straighteners/curling iron
- Hairdryers
- Remote Control Drones/vehicles
- Head Phones/Ear Buds
- Speakers blue-tooth
- Telescope/Microscope
- Skateboards/longboards
- Tool Sets
- Balls (football, soccer, basketball)
- Led lights/Ring Lights
- Guitars

PJ's and Clothing for all Ages

Although we appreciate and accept all donations we are in desperate need of items for ages 10 and up.

Christmas...A Time for Giving