



HUSKIES

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Principal's Message

In lieu of a community Christmas concert, our school family will be offering a variety of winter activities to students on Thursday, December 16th. One of these activities will be a horse and wagon ride. This service will be provided by a reputable company, Bandt Rides, and they will be driving in from Telkwa to spend the day with us!

For your child(ren) to participate in the horse and wagon ride, Bandt Rides will require them to have a signed Acknowledgment of Risk and Release of Liability form which we have attached to this newsletter. Please read over this form and return it signed if you would like your child to participate and please return it as soon as possible. All activities will be supervised by DLES staff.

As the Huskies will spend a large portion of their day outside on December 16th, they are strongly encouraged to wear a winter jacket (not just a hoodie), snow pants, winter boots, gloves, and a toque. We will have many more surprises in store for our school family on this day (and on December 17th), but parental consent will not be required. Thank you in advance for your prompt return of the attached form.

In closing, I wish you and your family a peaceful and happy Winter Break. May the holiday season be sprinkled with fun, laughter, and healthy activities!

Respectfully,
Mrs. Kelemen, Principal



Want to be "In The Know?"

Follow **DeckerLakeHuskies** on  Instagram and check out

DLES PAC
on  facebook



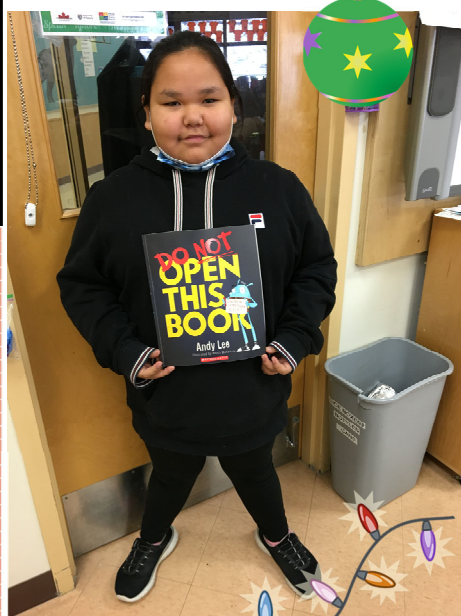
Book Fair...WOW!!!

Our Decker Lake Huskies and families bought...get this...**\$3425.65**

worth of books!!! Scholastic gave us a choice of a money reward OR more books! We chose to receive **\$2055.37** worth of MORE books for our small library!!! Best investment in education ever!

In addition, our Decker Lake PAC purchased a book for each and every student valued at \$10 or less—**EVERY** Decker Lake Husky student got a book!!!

Thank you very much, **Madame Trottier**, for organizing the Book Fair, and **thank you** so much **Decker Lake PAC!**



Mark your Calendar

December

- 13 Christmas Hat Day
- 13 Last Day for Food Bank Donations
- 14 Red/Green Day
- 15 Dress as an Elf or Reindeer Day
- 15 Gr 2/3 & Gr 4/5 Swim Trip
- 16 Ugly Sweater Day
- 16 Sleigh Rides
- 17 PJ Day
- 17 Cupcakes by Lillian

January

- 4 First Day Back to School

ALERT

We are still waiting for a confirmed date for both Mom's Pantry and Purdy's orders. If we are lucky, we should see something this Friday. Watch for pick up times on Instagram, or a call from Mrs. Payne!!!

Decker Lake's Doings...

The Grade 6 and 7 Volleyball tournaments were held at DLES on Friday, December 3. We welcomed teams from WKE, Francois Lake, and Grassy Plains.

In the Gr. 6 tournament through round robin play Francois and Grassy landed the spots for the finals. In the end, Grassy went home with the trophy.

In the Gr. 7 tournament, the undefeated team from Grassy played against Francois in the final. A very excited Grassy team returned home with the trophy.

Special thanks to all the coaches for working with the teams. Everyone had a great day!

Volleyball Tournament Results:

	Grade 6
1 st	Grassy
2 nd	Francois
3 rd	Decker 1 and Decker 2

	Grade 7
1 st	Grassy
2 nd	Francois
3 rd	Decker
4 th	WKE 1 and WKE 2



Upcoming December Spirit Days:

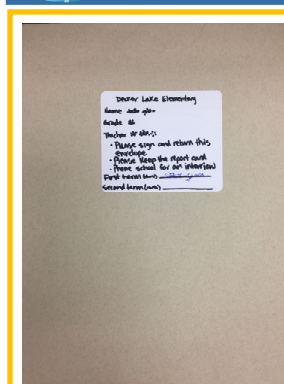
Mon. 13—Christmas Hat Day

Tue. 14—Red/Green Day

Wed. 15—Elf/Reindeer Dress Up Day

Thu. 16—Ugly Sweater Day

Fri. 17—PJ [



Please return your child's report card envelope to their teacher as soon as possible!



And the last words go to:

Miss Lisa Mason who coordinated the Volleyball tournament and
Madame Trotter who coordinated the Book Fair!
Thank you both so much!!!

Board Biz

International Travel at Christmas and Your Child

For unvaccinated children under 12 returning to Canada, the following applies:

Children under 12 must complete pre-entry, arrival and Day-8 tests unless you have evidence your child had a positive COVID-19 test taken 14 to 180 days prior to arrival in Canada or your child is under 5 years of age.

For the next 14 days, the children must also:

Not attend school, camp or daycare; not attend large or crowded settings; not take busses; not attend a setting where they may have contact with vulnerable people; avoid all contact with persons with underlying medical conditions, compromised immune systems, and are 65 years or older; stay with their fully vaccinated parent or guardian as much as possible; and wear a mask.

For a current list of all of the Canadian requirements for returning travellers, please visit

<https://travel.gc.ca/travel-covid/travel-restrictions/covid-vaccinated-travellers-entering-canada#children>

School Board Meeting

Monday, December 13, 2021, 6:00 pm

Important Public Attendance Notice:

***With the current on-going COVID context amidst this fourth wave, the Board of Education is limiting the number of public at Board meetings to 4 (four), which includes presenters/delegations. All interested in joining the meeting who cannot be accommodated in-person will be provided with virtual link.

We are requesting that members of the public interested in attending this meeting, contact Eva Jenkins at ejenkins@sd91.bc.ca or 250-567-2284 prior to the meeting.

***Please note: any additional public arriving to attend the public Board meeting, will be asked to return home and provided with a link to join virtually.



ATTENTION:

Thursday, December 16, 2021, to celebrate the Christmas Season, DLES will be having horse-drawn sleigh/wagon rides for the students. Before any students can participate, you, the parent/guardian, must initial, sign, date and **RETURN** this form by Tuesday, December 14, 2021. We need a signed form to allow students to ride.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISK AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

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For Participants Under the Age of Majority in the Province or Territory in which the Equine Activities are Provided by the Host

WARNING: THIS AGREEMENT WILL AFFECT YOUR LEGAL RIGHTS. READ IT CAREFULLY!

The Parent/Guardian Must Read and Understand this Waiver Prior to Infant Participating in Equine Activities

The following waiver of all claims, release from all liability, assumption of all risks, agreement not to sue and other terms of this agreement are entered into by me on behalf of the Infant Participant named below with and for the benefit of:

B + T Adventures

its directors, officers, employees, volunteers, business operators, agents, and site property owners or lessees (the "Host"). Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, "Equine Activities" includes but is not limited to competitions, tournaments organized and /or operated by the "Host", riding instruction, coaching and training provided by the "Host" to the Infant Participant.

Initial Each Item below after Reading and Understanding each item:

- I am the Parent/Guardian of the Infant Participant and am executing this waiver on behalf of the Infant Participant in my capacity as Parent/Guardian and with the intent that this waiver be binding on myself and the Infant Participant for all legal purposes.
- I am aware that there are inherent dangers, hazards and risks ("Risks") associated with "Equine Activities" and injuries resulting from these "Risks" are a common occurrence. I am aware that the "Risks" of "Equine Activities" mean those dangerous conditions which are an integral part of "Equine Activities", including but not limited to:
 - the propensity of any equine to behave in ways that may result in injury, harm or death to persons on or around them and to potentially collide with, bite or kick other animals, people or objects;
 - the unpredictability of an equine's reaction to such things as sounds, sudden movement, tremors, vibrations, unfamiliar objects, persons or other animals and hazards such as subsurface objects; and
 - the potential for other participants to behave in a negligent manner that may contribute to injury to themselves or others, including failing to act within their abilities to maintain control over an equine.
 - the potential of natural or man-made hazards being present that can cause me harm, including communicable disease
- I freely accept and fully assume all responsibility for all "Risks" and possibilities of any and all personal injury, sickness, disease, medical payments, death, property damage or loss resulting from the Infant Participant's participation in "Equine Activities".
- I agree that although the "Host" has taken steps to reduce the "Risks" and increase the safety of the "Equine Activities", it is not possible for the "Host" to make the "Equine Activities" completely safe. I accept these "Risks" and agree to the terms of this waiver on behalf of the Infant Participant, even if the "Host" is found to be negligent or in breach of any duty of care or any obligation to myself or the Infant Participant in the Infant's participation in "Equine Activities".
- In addition to consideration given to the "Host" for the Infant Participant's participation in "Equine Activities", I and my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and assigns, as well as the Infant Participant and his/her heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and assigns (collectively our "Legal Representatives") agree:
 - to waive all claims that the Infant Participant has or may have in the future against the "Host";
 - to release and forever discharge the "Host" from all liability for personal injury, death, property damage, or loss that I, the Infant Participant, or our "Legal Representatives" might suffer as a result of the Infant Participant's participation in "Equine Activities" due to any cause, including but not limited to negligence (failure to use such care as a reasonably prudent and careful person would use under similar circumstances), breach of any duty imposed by law, breach of contract or mistake or error in judgment of the "Host"; and
 - to be liable for and to hold harmless and indemnify the "Host" from all actions, proceedings, claims, damages, costs demands, including court costs and costs on a solicitor and own client basis, and liabilities of whatsoever nature or kind arising out of or in any way connected with the Infant's participation in "Equine Activities".
- I agree that this waiver and all terms contained herein are governed exclusively and in all respects by the laws of the Province or Territory of Canada in which the "Equine Activities" are provided by the "Host". I hereby irrevocably submit to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of that Province or Territory of Canada and I agree that no other court can exercise jurisdiction over the terms and claims referred to herein. Any litigation to enforce this waiver will be instituted in the Province or Territory of Canada in which the "Equine Activities" are provided by the "Host".
- I confirm that I have had sufficient time to read and understand this waiver in its entirety. I understand that this agreement represents the entire agreement between the "Host", myself as Parent/Guardian, and the Infant Participant, and it is binding on myself, the Infant Participant and our "Legal Representatives".

Infant Participant's Name _____ Date of Birth _____

Address _____ City _____ Province _____ Postal _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____ Date of Birth _____ Tel # _____

Address _____ City _____ Province _____ Postal _____

Signed this _____ day of _____, 20_____

(Signature of Parent/Guardian of Infant Participant)

(Print Name of "Host" Witness to Signing and Initialing)

(Signature of "Host" Witness)