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December 3, 2025

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Decker Lake Elementary School

Principal's Message

Dear Husky families,

My goodness... it's December already!

Learning Updates and Core Competency Goal Reflection sheets are going home this week. Please take the time to read all the reports inside your child's envelope. If you have any concerns, please reach out to your child's teacher. Please sign the envelope and return it as we use the same envelope for all Learning Updates throughout the year.

Our Christmas concert is on Thursday, December 18th starting at 1 PM. Please arrive early enough to park and be in attendance for a 1:00 start. Our emergency lane will be closed to the public. If you need to drop someone off with mobility needs, you may drive through the staff parking lot and drop off at the west end of the staff parking lot. Please park in the parent parking lot, on the road leading up to our school or on the frontage road by the highway. We look forward to seeing you there.

Grade 4 and 7 students have completed the FSA (Foundational Skills Assessment). Marking will take place next week and results will be forwarded to parents/ guardians when ready.

Mrs. Benoit's grade 6/7 class will be participating in the Volleyball Tournament at LDSS on Friday, December 5th. Good luck to both of our Husky teams.

If you are planning to be a volunteer at our school in any way this year, you will require a Criminal Record Check. Please drop by our school office for more information.

Wishing all our Husky families a fabulous and safe month ahead and a wonderful holiday season. We are grateful to have you as members of our school community, and we hope you feel welcome.

With much gratitude,



Ms. Giesbrecht

Principal - DLES

DLES Shares with Parents...

Mark your Calendar

December

- 4 Learning Updates & Competency Reflections go home
- 5 Volleyball Tournament
- 15 PAC Meeting 6:30 pm
- 18 Christmas Concert 1 pm 
- 19 PJ Day & Movie 
- 22-January 2 Winter Break—**No School**

January

- 5 School in session
- 30 Mix & Match Day

No School

December 22, 2025-January 2, 2026



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

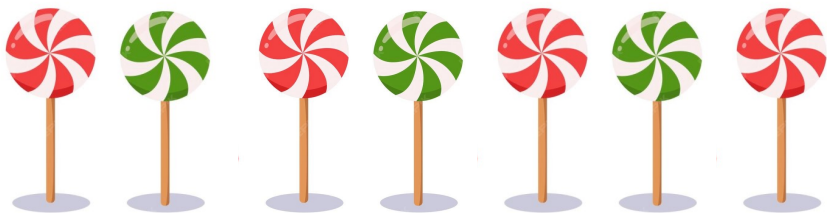
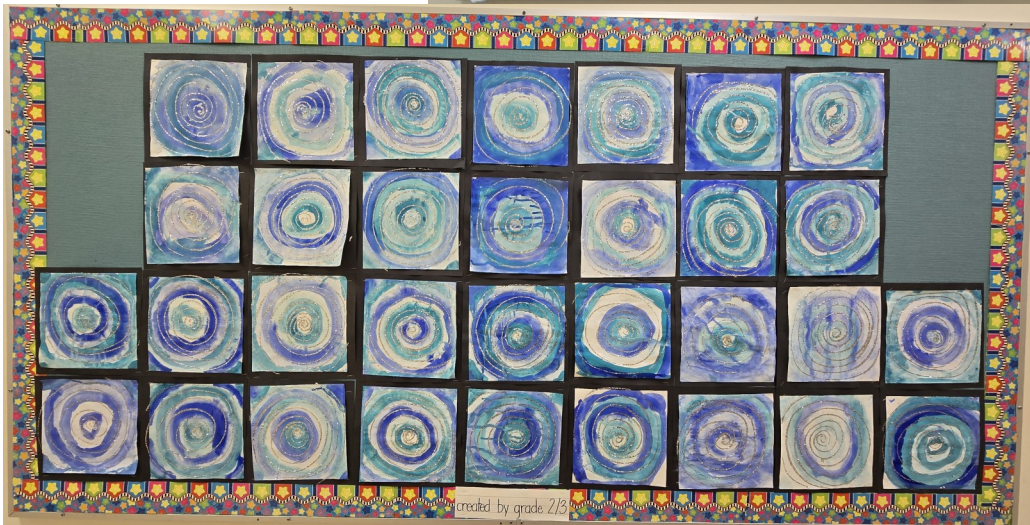
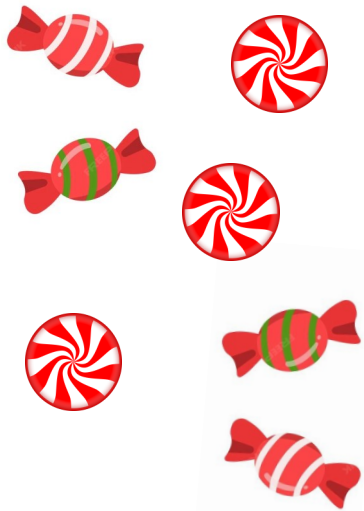
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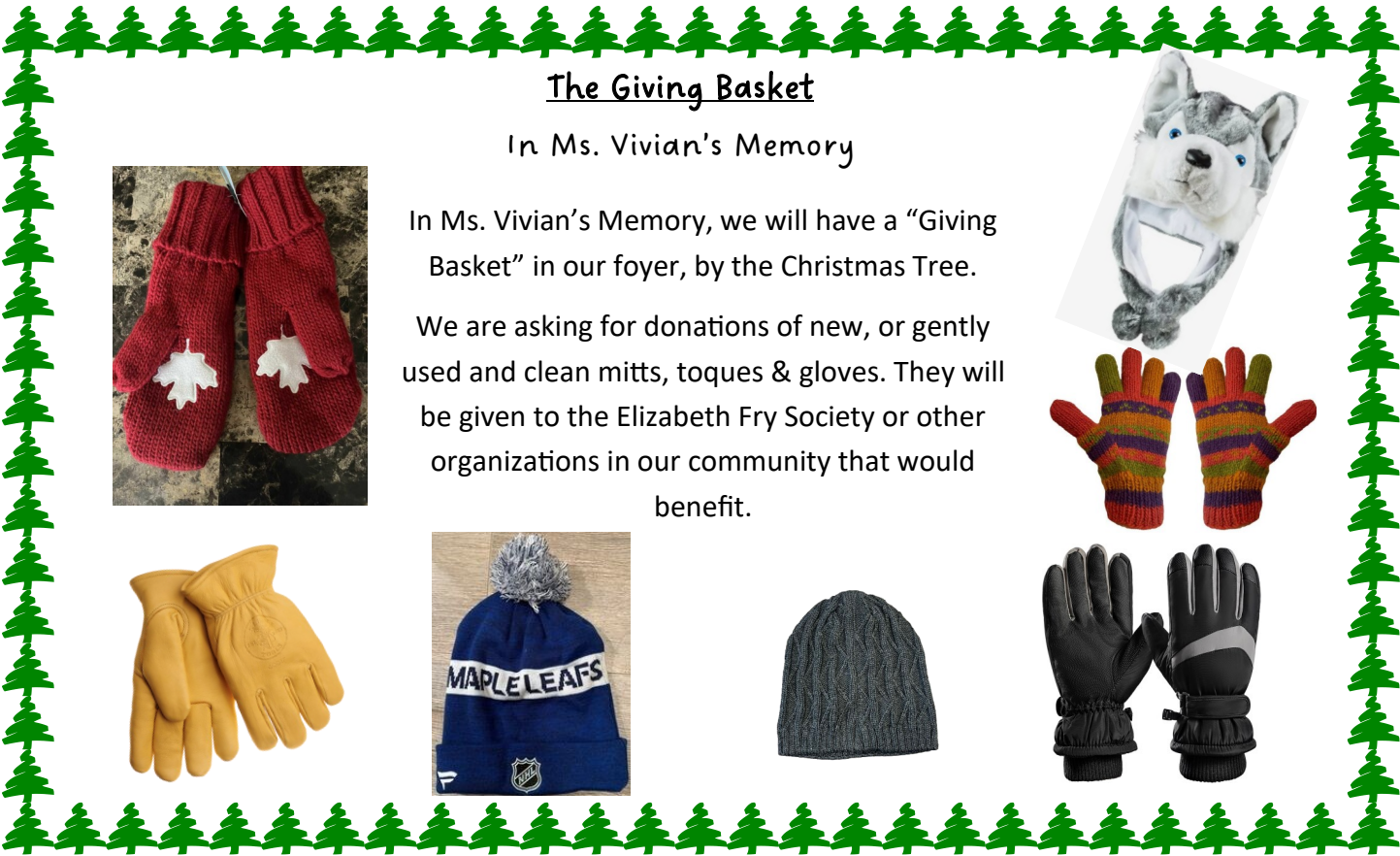
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COME JOIN US!!!



Artwork In Our Halls



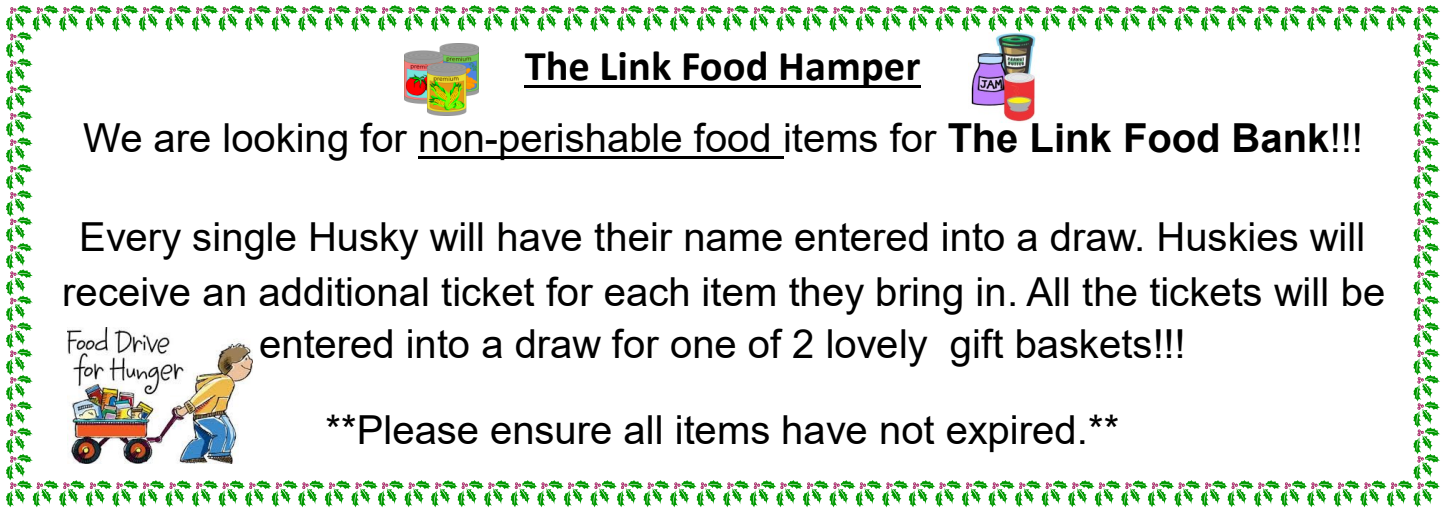


The Giving Basket

In Ms. Vivian's Memory

In Ms. Vivian's Memory, we will have a "Giving Basket" in our foyer, by the Christmas Tree.

We are asking for donations of new, or gently used and clean mitts, toques & gloves. They will be given to the Elizabeth Fry Society or other organizations in our community that would benefit.



The Link Food Hamper



We are looking for non-perishable food items for **The Link Food Bank!!!**

Every single Husky will have their name entered into a draw. Huskies will receive an additional ticket for each item they bring in. All the tickets will be entered into a draw for one of 2 lovely gift baskets!!!



****Please ensure all items have not expired.****



♥ RANDOM ACTS OF CHRISTMAS KINDNESS ♥

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<input type="checkbox"/> WRITE A LETTER TO SOMEONE	<input type="checkbox"/> OFFER TO PUT BACK A NEIGHBORS GARBAGE BINS	<input type="checkbox"/> DONATE TOYS TO CHARITY	<input type="checkbox"/> BUY A GIFT FOR A STRANGER IN NEED	<input type="checkbox"/> FEED THE BIRDS	<input type="checkbox"/> MAKE A SIGN FOR YOUR DELIVERY DRIVERS	<input type="checkbox"/> GIVE A COMPLIMENT TO SOMEONE
<input type="checkbox"/> MAKE HOLIDAY CARDS AND GIVE TO OTHERS	<input type="checkbox"/> HOLD THE DOOR OPEN FOR SOMEONE	<input type="checkbox"/> HELP CLEAN UP A MESS YOU DIDN'T MAKE	<input type="checkbox"/> DONATE FOOD TO A LOCAL FOOD PANTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> LET SOMEONE GO AHEAD OF YOU IN LINE	<input type="checkbox"/> OFFER TO HELP SOMEONE WITH A TASK	<input type="checkbox"/> GIVE A COMPLIMENT TO EVERYONE YOU SEE TODAY
<input type="checkbox"/> BAKE COOKIES FOR A FRIEND OR NEIGHBOR	<input type="checkbox"/> DONATE TO A LOCAL CHARITY	<input type="checkbox"/> PAY FOR SOMEONE'S COFFEE	<input type="checkbox"/> DRAW A PICTURE FOR SOMEONE YOU LOVE	<input type="checkbox"/> SMILE AT EVERYONE YOU SEE TODAY	<input type="checkbox"/> HELP CLEAN A ROOM IN YOUR HOME	<input type="checkbox"/> MAKE DINNER FOR YOUR FAMILY
<input type="checkbox"/> MAKE CARDS FOR YOUR POLICE OR FIRE STATION	<input type="checkbox"/> PASS OUT CANDY CANES AT A LOCAL NURSING HOME	<input type="checkbox"/> CALL A RELATIVE	<input type="checkbox"/> MERRY CHRISTMAS			



THE EDUCATORS SPIN ON IT.COM

Mrs. Doris Munger

Mrs. Doris Munger, a local storyteller and drummer, was at DLES during the week of November 24-28th. Huskies were entertained with wonderful stories about Old Fort and Mrs. Munger's childhood memories of growing up in the area. Mrs. Munger entertained everyone at the end of her residency with a special assembly where she drummed and told more wonderful stories.



Remembrance Day

We hosted a lovely Remembrance Day ceremony on November 10th. Huskies honoured veterans and those who lost their lives in the war with poems, songs and stories.





Grades 6 & 7 Volleyball Tournament!!!



December 5, 2025 @ LDSS

Cheer on the Huskies at Lakes District Secondary School!!!

The bus leaves from DLES @ 8:45 am SHARP!!! Please have your participating Grade 6 or 7 student at DLES prior. Thank you!!

Time	Court #1	Court #2
9:00-9:30	DLES 6 vs WKE 6	DLES 7 vs MWES
9:30-10:00	WKE 7 vs GPS	FLES 7 DLES 7
10:00-10:30	FLES 6 vs WKE 6	MWES vs WKE 7
10:30-11:00	MWES vs FLES 7	GPS vs DLES 7
11:-11:45	DLES 6 vs FLES 6	WKE 7 vs FLES 7
11:45-12:15	DLES 7 vs WKE 7	GPS vs FLES 7
12:15-12:45	1 st vs 2 nd (Gr 6 final)	MWES vs GPS
12:45-1:15	G1: 1 st vs 4 th (Gr 7)	G2: 2 nd vs 3 rd (Gr 7)
1:15-1:45	Winner of G2 vs winner of G1 (For 1 st and 2 nd)	Loser of G1 and loser of G2 (For 3 rd and 4 th)
1:30-2:00	Ribbons	
2:00		



facebook

DLES PAC would love for you to look us up & join us on Facebook!

“Decker Lake Elementary School Parent Group”



PAC Meeting

Monday,
 December 15, 2025
 6:30 pm— 7:30 pm
 In the DLES Library

REMINDER!

Please call by **2:00 PM** if you will be changing your child’s after-school-to-home arrangements. Calls too close to bus time, can not guarantee they can be changed in time before their bus leaves!



Instagram

Decker Lake Elementary is on Instagram!!!

Our new Instagram account is:

dles_huskies

Our Instagram account is private.

Followers will need to be Given access to join.



SKI LESSONS FOR KIDS Registration now open!

Ski equipment rentals available for
all ages, child to adult!

www.ominecaskiclub.ca

Training available for
ALL coaches!



Skills Development Program (SDP)

Bunnies Ages 4-5

Jr. Jackrabbits Ages 6-7

SUNDAY LESSONS (ALL GROUPS)

Sr. Jackrabbits Ages 8-10

Track Attack Ages 10-12

+ an additional evening during the week.

For more information:

Amy Dash

(250) 691-1612

Text anytime - calls after
4pm weekdays



Did you know?

Seasonal ski rentals for kids in lessons are only **\$25**
thanks to generous sponsorship from:



DLES Huskies Love The Sliding Hill!!!



Board Biz...



Superintendent's Report to the Board

Superintendent Anita McClinton presented her [Monthly Report](#) at the Regular School Board Meeting on Monday, November 17, 2025.

You may find it under the Latest News heading at www.sd91.bc.ca or on our [Board of Education Updates](#) page.



Make sure your children are dressed
appropriately for outside weather conditions.
Our learners are encouraged and enjoy outside
play as much as possible! Let's keep them warm!!!



Medication Forms

Has your child developed a new condition such as:

- Asthma
- Allergies

Or any other condition that requires a medication? Please contact the school office and we will help you with documentation.

Decker Lake Wants YOU...

School District 91 and DLES have opportunities available well-worth checking into! Try considering a career change or a location change and spend more **awesome** time with your kids while investing in their futures. Your schedule could be aligned with your kids which means they'd be in class on time, at school every day, and they'd benefit from your commitment to your job. Check out "Join Our Team" on SD91.bc.ca.
Just a little thing to think about...!