December 2017 Newsletter

Mixed Exceptionalities Rm. 208

**Mrs. VanderMeer & Ms. Robb**



**GYM CLOTHES**

Just a reminder to bring a pair of shorts or track /athletic pants, a t-shirt, to change into each day for gym. They can be left here and we will wash them each week.

Important Dates in December:

* Last Day before break Dec. 22
* Dec 22. Green Red and Holiday wear day
* Dec. 6- IPRC reviews
* Dec 11- Leader of the Pack
* Dec 20- Primary Christmas Concert



Keep reading at home! All students have set goals to improve reading levels by the end of December.

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Last month of 2017!

The fall has rushed by and we are already in December! Students are getting excited for all the events in December and looking forward to the holiday break!

**Communication Reminder**

Blue communication bags come home each night. Please check the bags for notes in communication notebook. Please feel free to write any notes to us as well. Any work that comes home in the bag is for you to review and keep at home.

Students may at times bring home books for reading. If you have time at night to read with your child that would be great, and there will be a sheet to record home reading. This will not be every night unless a student really would like to do this. They may also have word cards to practise at times that may be in their IEP. If you can practise these too, this will help increase student success.

Students will also at times have math activities to play. Same as above. If you can take 15 or so minutes to complete the activity that would be great.

Our class also used REMIND to send out updates and reminders. If you haven’t signed up yet, please do so using the directions below.

How to sign up:

By phone: text **705-995-6695** with **@vandermec** in the text message. You will get a text back asking for your name. Please write your name and in brackets your child’s name.

If you don’t use a cell phone. Send an e-mail to [vandermec@mail.remind.com](mailto:vandermec@mail.remind.com) and you will be added.





**School Website and Cashless Schools**

Don’t forget to visit the Thompson Creek Website for up to date information.

<http://www.granderie.ca/schools/thompsoncreek>

Also if you didn’t’ sign up for cashless schools banking last year, that is a requirement. In order to pay for hot lunches, milk, trips etc. the cashless banking must be used. The school can no longer accept cash or cheques. If you need help setting this up, please come into the school and we can help get you set up.

We will send reminders about payment deadlines so you don’t miss any meals or trips etc.

**Bacher Bucks**

Bacher Bucks are pretend money students can earn from completing work, classroom jobs, awesome work, busy bee activities in class, and for other various activities in class. Once a month students can use the “Bacher Bucks” in their account to buy little prizes, usually in the form of an auction. Students work on their math skills including using a calculator, determining if they have enough money, and subtracting and adding sums.

**Working Around the School**

Students have been huge help around the school! We collect all the attendance, hand out milk orders and hot lunch orders, as well as help the office distribute anything they need to go to classes. Students are completing all jobs responsibly and showing great work ethic!

Reading Goals and Check in

In December students will be doing another reading assessment. In September reading levels were sent home in blue communication bags. At that point students set goals for their reading levels in December. Stay tuned for the results coming your way.

**Just a reminder the last day of school for students in Friday December 22nd. School resumes on Monday January 8th**

**Yearbook Orders**

Notices came home about ordering a Thompson Creek yearbook. This is a new and exciting thing at Thompson Creek.

If you would like to order a yearbook, orders must be paid online by December 22nd. Please contact the office or Ms. Good if you have any questions about yearbook orders.

TCES Christmas concert is December 20th. Even though we are not in the concert, all are welcome to watch the younger students perform on December 20th.