



# Stoneybrook Public School

## December 2018 Newsletter

It is hard to believe we are in the last month of 2018. In November we had the opportunity to participate in the Growing Chefs classroom program. Each class had a visit from the chef team and worked collaboratively through lesson plans specific to their grade level. Taste buds were challenged and students and staff thoroughly enjoyed this experience. We can't wait until they return in February!

Our Fresh From The Farm Fundraiser, which raises funds for our snack program, was once again a success! Thank you to all of you that purchased fruits and vegetables! We have also just had our first Poinsettia fundraiser that helped to raise money for Graduation. The plants were lovely and will brighten many homes this holiday season. We wrapped up our volleyball season for both our Intermediate boys and girls teams.



Thank you for the time the coaches put into working with these teams outside of school hours. Fun Runners involved approximately 90 of our eager primary runners, they will meet again in the spring!

During November we completed our Early Identification process with all of our primary division last week. This is an information gathering and sharing process where we sit down as a team to review progress and next steps for all our primary students.

As we concluded November we also took the Pledge to End Bullying and celebrated kindness within our school through our graffiti wall and classroom hashtags.

The book fair will be returning the week of Dec. 19-Dec. 21. Please remember that purchasing books is optional but they do make a nice holiday treat for students. If you need help choosing a book at the right level for your child be sure to connect with your child's teacher.

As we enter the holiday season we have decided to give back in PJs this year in our Warm & Cozy Campaign. The intent of this campaign is to promote the spirit of giving. We have partnered with another school in London that we will provide the PJs to in order to help those students feel as cozy as we do.

We have been fortunate that we have not had too much snow yet, however it is coming! Please ensure you send extra mitts and even socks for your children. As well with the snow and cold weather comes the temptation to drive our children to school. If you choose to drive your child please remember to either park on one of the neighbouring streets and walk to the school or utilize the kiss and ride at the front of the school by pulling up and letting your child hop out. With the possibility of snow banks and slippery roads it is imperative that drivers are extra cautious, please drive slowly and do not use driveways to turn around in front of the school.

Just a reminder that you can stay up to date with information happening at the school by signing up to receive updates and by viewing our website at <https://stoneybrook.tvdsb.ca/en/index.aspx>.

As we work our way through December there are many celebrations that take place. No matter how you celebrate, we wish you a very happy and safe holiday season!





## **Warm and Cozy Campaign**

**In the spirit of giving this holiday season, the Spirit Squad encourages our Sharks to “pay in forward” and participate in the Warm and Cozy Campaign. Families are invited to bring in a new pair of pajamas in your child’s size to donate to a school in need in the London area. This campaign will run from December 3<sup>rd</sup> to December 14<sup>th</sup>. Please send in new pajamas during this time.**



**Go Sharks!**

### **Theme Days this month hosted by the Spirit Squad & Student Council**

**Monday, Dec. 17 – Dress Like an Elf Day**

**Tuesday, Dec. 18 – Funky Sock Day**

**Wednesday, Dec. 19 – Festive Sweater**

**Thursday, Dec. 20 – Green & Red Day**

**Friday, Dec. 21 – P.J. Day**

## Update from School Council:

**Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, January 9th 7:00 in the Learning Commons**

**In order to order hot lunch in 2019 please register on the parent HUB. The menu will be available the week of December 17<sup>th</sup>. Please check out QSP.ca and order your magazines for holiday gifts.**

## Information from the Learning Commons:

**The Book Fair is coming!**

**Come be enchanted with all the beautiful, intriguing books available at the Book Fair!**

**Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup> 8:30-6:00 PM**

**Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> 8:30 – 6:00 PM**

**Thursday, December 20<sup>st</sup> 8:30 – 6:00 PM**

**Proceeds from our Book Fair will be used to purchase Robots and other Technology for our Learning Commons. Thank you for your support!**



### **Concert Time!**

**It's that time of year again that we have our holiday concerts. We have had to divide our concerts in order to accommodate our growing community. Each concert will be approximately one hour in length. All of the students and staff have been working very hard to prepare for these presentations!**



**Primary Concert – Tuesday, December 18 6:00 PM**

**Junior/Intermediate Concert – Wednesday, December 19 6:30 PM**

**Kindergarten Concert – Thursday, December 20 2:30 PM**

**In lieu of a bake sale this year we will be having a gift basket raffle and a gift card raffle. The proceeds from this will support our Grade 8 graduation. More information will follow but there will be some fantastic prizes! Tickets will be sold at each of the concerts and the draw will take place at the end of the day on December 21.**

# Home Connections in Mathematics

## Holiday Math: Everyday Math

Involving your child in using numbers to solve problems is an easy and simple way to improve their number sense.

- “If each person gets two cookies and we have 14 people coming, How many cookies do we need to bake?”
- “If we need  $\frac{3}{8}$  of a cup of sugar for one serving of our recipe. If we are doubling this recipe, how much sugar will we need?”
- “One store is selling a Christmas tree for \$20.00 with 20% off. Another store is selling Christmas trees for \$15.00. Which tree is cheaper?”

Write an addition and or multiplication sentence that describes the total number of chocolates in the picture below:

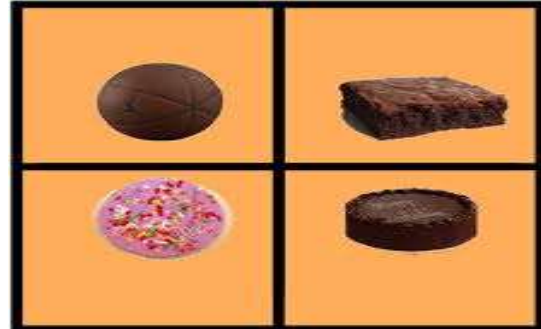


What is the pattern rule for the 3rd row?



## Which One Doesn't Belong?

Mathematical reasoning involves classifying objects and justifying that classification. Children can be asked which item in a set does not belong. There are no right or wrong answers as long as your child is able to justify their choice.



Mathematical justification might include references to shape and size, types of angles, number vertices, faces. etc.

## Decoration Symmetry/Art

Making decorations, such as snowflakes, from folding and cutting paper and investigating symmetry is easy, enjoyable and promotes spatial reasoning in your child.

## Playing Games

Spending quality time with your family playing board games and card games is a great way to improve math skills. Games help children to use their logical and reasoning skills, boost critical thinking and gain spatial reasoning. Playing games with others also helps children to build social and communication skills.

Here is a list of games you could try:

- Monopoly
- Snakes and Ladders
- Sorry
- Yahtzee
- Go Fish
- Memory
- UNO
- Chess/Checkers
- Phase 10
- Scrabble



Cross Cultural Learner Centre

# SWIS & Stoneybrook P.S Cultural Holiday Potluck

Friday December 14 2018

2:30 p.m.

Stoneybrook P.S. Room TBA

Please bring a cultural dish or  
dessert to share with others.

(if possible)

Coffee/tea will be provided.



*This session will give parents an opportunity to:*

- Socially interact with other parents and teachers
- Share a part of your culture and what you celebrate
- Connect with your Settlement Worker
- Find out what is happening in your community during the holidays
- Eat cultural foods from around the world.

Contact: SWIS worker: Parwana Wassie @ (519) 282-4317 or pwassie@lclcc.org

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## Grade 8 Parent and Student Information Evening



Wednesday, January 16, 2019  
7:00 p.m.  
Lucas Auditorium  
#Vikes2023

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### Registering at Lucas

- Students from the Lucas feeder schools (Cedar Hollow, Jack Chambers, Wassonville, Northridge, Stonebrook, Stone Creek) will have received the course calendars and registration forms in their elementary schools the first week in January.
- Students who are not from a Lucas feeder school will receive calendars and registration forms at the information evening on January 16, 2019.
- Grade 8 teachers and LSTs are excellent resources to help students/parents decide on the appropriate type (locally developed, applied, academic, gifted) of course for Grade 9 compulsory subjects.

All Grade 9 registration forms are due to the student's elementary school (Jack Chambers, Wassonville, Northridge, Stonebrook, Stone Creek) by Wednesday, February 6, 2019.  
All other registration forms should be returned to the Guidance office at Lucas by Friday, February 15, 2019.

Please feel free to contact any of the following people at 519-402-2000.

<b>ADMINISTRATION:</b>	
Mr. Jeff Barton, Principal	ext. 20017
Mrs. Tom Tuckow, Vice-Principal (AC)	ext. 20018
Mrs. Jan Saha, Vice-Principal (AC)	ext. 20019
<b>GUIDANCE:</b>	
Mrs. Heather Dewford (AC), Head	ext. 20008
Mr. Kris Potter (CO)	ext. 20007
Ms. Storm Skaggs (FP)	ext. 20009
Ms. Janet Wilson (CC)	ext. 20003
Mrs. Cary Wilson (Guidance Secretary)	ext. 20004
<b>SPECIAL EDUCATION:</b>	
Mrs. Colleen Pascher (SPed), Head	ext. 20028
Mr. Jeff Kowalski (5 & 10)	ext. 20020
Mrs. Annmarie Galloway (7 & 10)	ext. 20006

## Dates to Remember:

Dec. 3 – Poinsettia Pick Up

Dec. 3 – Warm and Cozy Campaign Begins

Dec. 7 – Grade 5 Trip to Sledge Hockey

Dec. 11 – Grade 2 Trip to Eldon House

Dec. 12 – Grade 3 Trip to the Pioneer Village

Dec. 13 – Grade 1 Trip to Museum London

Dec. 14 – SWIS Cultural Holiday Potluck at 2:30

Dec. 17- Dress Like an Elf

Dec. 18 – Primary Concert 6:00, Funky Sock Day

Dec. 19 – Jr./Int. Concert 6:30, Festive Sweater Day

Dec. 20 – Kindergarten Concert 2:30, Red and Green Day

Dec. 21 – PJ Day

Dec. 24 – Jan. 4 – Holidays (No School)

Jan. 7 – School Resumes