



# Deroche Elementary Bear Nation Weekly Bulletin

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**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:** As reported in an earlier Bulletin, salmon have arrived at our Outdoor Learning Area! Three years ago, these fish were baby fry released into the same creek they are miraculously returning to after swimming hundreds of miles in the Pacific Ocean. Pictured above is our Grade 5/6 class very excited to view an exhausted 10 pound Chum which has successfully battled its way up to its birthplace to spawn.



Nearby on the ground is a battered salmon, finished spawning and already providing food to other wildlife much to the fascination of our K/1 students. Finally, even in the excitement of experiencing the wonders of nature, kindness remains such a powerful force evidenced this week by students helping each other on the swings and bringing some hot breakfast to encourage Mrs. MacLean and I. I am continually inspired both by the determination of returning salmon and the inexplicable force that guides them back to their original homes. Please stay safe and determined!

*Mike Abercrombie - Principal*

## DATES TO REMEMBER

- Dec 4 Non-Instructional Day
- Dec 7 Door Decorating Voting
- Dec 8 Div 1 & 2 – Hot Lunch
- Dec 8 Frozen Food Order Pick-Up
- Dec 14 Festive Accessories Day
- Dec 15 Dress Fancy Day
- Dec 15 Santa Breakfast & Photos
- Dec 15 Div 3 & 4 Hot Lunch
- Dec 15 Concert Filming Day
- Dec 16 Wear Festive Sweater Day
- Dec 17 Wear Holiday Colours Day
- Dec 18 PJ Day
- Dec 21 Winter Break begins
- Jan 5 Back to School

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Check out our “Dates to Remember” Calendar for upcoming events. Please note the change in date for our Hot Lunch Days. We have lots planned for December and can’t wait to share our concert video with you! As we get closer to the holiday season, we are mindful that some families may be going through difficult times. Please reach out if there’s anything you need 😊.

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