



# Deroche Elementary Bear Nation Weekly Bulletin

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**PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:** Hello, loved ones, guardians, and supporters of Deroche Elementary: Though a shortened week, with Friday being a half day for students, it has been an eventful few days at Deroche none the less. Representing Deroche at the District's playoffs, our 5/6 basketball team celebrated the end of a season of teamwork and sportsmanship at Windebank Elementary. It was wonderful to see so many of our families cheering our Bears on throughout the month and a congratulations to the team for their successes on and off the court. I'd like to also thank our coaches, Mrs. Takhar, Mrs. MacMillan and Mrs. Laughlin for their support and dedication to the team. As we look towards next week, a reminder that PAC will be hosting two fundraisers benefiting the school. The first is with the Abbotsford Canucks where \$5 will be donated to Deroche for every ticket sold to December 2<sup>nd</sup>'s game at The Abbotsford Center. Also, Excel Martial Arts will be offering lunch time instruction to registered students in the gym on Monday (Dec 4) to Friday (Dec 8<sup>th</sup>) for \$5 with parental permission. On Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, The Vancouver Warriors will be presenting their Stick to School program to students in a 12:45-1:45pm assembly where they will be sharing their passion for lacrosse, its history, its Indigenous connection, the first people's perspective of learning and the rules of the game. In addition, on Thursday, The Fraser Valley Library will also be on-site to continue with their It's Not a Crime to Read programing with our intermediate classes.

Best wishes for a restful weekend to all our Deroche families and community.

*Ms. Hennessey- Principal*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS: Dec 1 Half Day – 11:00 Dismissal**

**Cooler Temperatures:** As we head into cooler temperatures and the month of December, it is important that your child is dressed appropriately for the weather and potentially icy conditions. Many thanks for your efforts and reminders at home.

**Christmas Store:** We are looking for new or slightly used gift items that would be suitable for our Christmas Store. Students will have a chance to go shopping on Dec 11 to pick out a gift for each of their family members. Please drop off any gift items to the office between now and Dec 8th.

**Christmas Concert:** Will Take place on Dec 20th from 10:40-11:30. PAC will also have a multi-basket raffle with your chance to win some great gifts!

**OFFICE HOURS:** 8:15-3:15

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- Dec 1 Half Day – 11:00 Dismissal
- Dec 4-8 Excel Martial Arts at lunch
- Dec 4 RCMP Visit with Div. 1
- Dec 6 Vancouver Warriors here
- Dec 7 It's not a Crime to Read
- Dec 8 PAC Meeting at 2:30
- Dec 11 Christmas Store for Kids
- Dec 11 Report Cards to go home
- Dec 15 Pow Wow Dancing
- Dec 18 Santa Pictures
- Dec 20 Christmas Concert  
10:40-11:30
- Dec 22 Pajama Day

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