

## What's New on the Ranch

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### November 14– November 18, 2022

Date	Activities and Events
Monday, November 21 <sup>st</sup>	
Tuesday, November 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
Wednesday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Photo Retake Day / Adventure Yoga-2:45-4 / STEAM for Girls – 2:50- 4
Thursday, November 24 <sup>th</sup>	STEAM for Girls – 2:50- 4
Friday, November 25 <sup>th</sup>	Treat Day / Reading Link

### *This Week in Review:*

Hello Everyone,

Division 4 has organized a food drive to support families in need this holiday season. We are calling it the **12 Days of Giving**. Please send in non-perishable foods, unwrapped new toys or a money donation. The Share society will be coming on Dec 15<sup>th</sup> to pick up. Please send your donations in by then. For families who would like to make cash donations through School Cash Online, we will set this up next week.



Photo retakes are on Wednesday. If you want your child to have a retake, please remind them, and please put a note in their planner.

Our Christmas Concert will be scheduled for the afternoons of December 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. I shared information yesterday on how the event will be organized, and I have included a copy in this newsletter for your reference. Ms. Petrucci has prepared the concert, and teachers will be sending home information about costumes and preparation in the next week or so.

Please be reminded that if your child is ill they should not come to school, but should remain home until better. There have been a lot of recent illness in the community, including a variety of colds and flu. If your child shows symptoms of illness at school, we will contact you to pick them up.



I hope you all have a great weekend.

Rob Killawee  
Principal  
Ranch Park Elementary





## Parent Information

### Mathematical terms

**Decompose** - *to break a number into smaller parts.*

**Round to** - *make a number friendly by finding the closest multiple of 10.*

### Ranch Park PAC is doing two Christmas Fundraisers!

Winter Poinsettia Fundraiser; **Closing Date: November 17; Pick up Date:**

**December 2** - you can purchase Christmas poinsettias, wreaths, planters and boughs through our fundraiser with Growing Smiles.

<https://ranchpark.growingsmilesfundraising.com/home>

Purdy's Christmas Chocolates; **Closing Date: November 23; Pick up Date: December 9** - you can purchase Purdy's Chocolates through this website, and up to 25% goes back to the school in fundraising dollars!

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/46654-96255>

### Volunteer opportunities for "Santa Breakfast" are now open.

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: [volunteersignup.org/AARJD](http://volunteersignup.org/AARJD)  
To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do. Thank you for volunteering!



### Winter Weather

Please see the information below on school and district response to winter weather.

### Reporting Absences

Please report absences and lates through the "Absence Report" link on the website, under "Quick Links. You can also [bookmark this link](#) on your phone or browser.

### Grade 5 Fundraising

You can support our Grade 5 activities through purchasing Tru-Earth laundry products at <https://fundraising.tru.earth/RPGrade5>.

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## Student Goal of the Week:

**Core Competency:** Personal Awareness and Responsibility

**Facet:** Self Regulation

**Goal Statement:** "I can sometimes recognize emotions."

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## Important Information – Christmas Concert – December 14 and 15

Hello everyone,

After the past two years of virtual and remote Christmas Concerts, we are very excited that we can offer an in-person option for our holiday musical experience! Please read below for more information.

Living and working through a pandemic has had an impact on how events are organized throughout communities and in schools. As we work to bring back some past traditions, we have had to consider factors that have not been considered as much in the past. One of the considerations going forward, as we continue to bring back large school-wide events, is facility capacity. This was a focus throughout the pandemic and particularly as we started to bring back larger gatherings.

**Fire regulations in our school limit the number of people in our gymnasium to 300 in total.** In order to adhere to this regulation, we are changing the format of our Holiday Concert. As well, since our concert is scheduled to occur just prior to Winter Break, and in the middle of cold and flu season, keeping to the maximum capacity of the gym will hopefully help make everyone feel more comfortable about an in-person gathering of this size, from a health and wellness perspective.

**This year, we will be running two afternoon concert performances. All performances will be within the school day, starting at approximately 1:30 PM on December 14 and 15.** In order to make the most space for families, students will be in their classrooms, under teacher supervision, while they are not performing.

We have over 190 students at Ranch Park and just over 150 families. In order to accommodate these numbers, **we will provide 3 tickets for one performance for each family.** This will ensure that all families will have an opportunity to attend. **Each family has been assigned to a specific concert date** – we need to ensure that we can balance attendance at each event so that we stay within our gym capacity regulations. Please see the list below to find out your concert date.

Concert Date	Attendance by Last Name *3 Tickets Per Family	Ticket Colour
Wednesday, December 14, 1:30 PM	Alvarez Garcia to Ma	Red
Thursday, December 15, 1:30 PM	MacDonald to Zhao	Green

**\*Please Note: If the assigned concert date does not work for your family, please find another family who is willing to trade concert dates with you. If you are trading concert dates with a family, you will need to physically trade tickets with the family as we will only print the specific number of tickets required for each performance. Tickets are colour-coded for each performance to avoid confusion. Tickets will be sent out in early December.**

We are thrilled to be able to go ahead with an in-person concert this year!

Rob Killawee

Principal

Ranch Park Elementary



# Winter Weather Ahead!

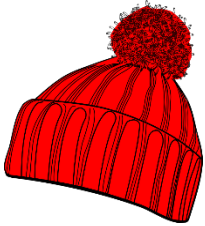


Schools are not routinely closed due to snow or other inclement weather conditions. All schools in School District 43 (Coquitlam) will remain OPEN, if possible, during winter weather, including snowfall.

However, on occasion, a district-wide or partial-district closure is required due to extreme weather. Partial-district closures affecting individual schools may occur due to the very different geography within our school district. If there is a partial-district closure affected schools will be identified.

The decision on schools remaining open or needing to be closed, because of extreme weather, occurs **before 6:30 a.m.** so that families can plan and make alternate arrangements.

**Any district-wide or partial-district closure will be decided and communicated by 6:30 a.m. via the School District 43 website [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca) and CKNW AM 980 radio, CKWX 1130 radio and CBC (690) radio.**



Extreme weather can also impact transit. Transit schedules may face significant changes or cancellations due to the weather conditions. Parents seeking information on transit schedules need to consult the Translink website: <http://www.translink.ca/>

We encourage families to continuously check the School District 43 website for updates and changes: [www.sd43.bc.ca](http://www.sd43.bc.ca)



While the District tries to make the best decision with the information available, the weather does change quickly. Therefore, when schools remain open, decisions to stay at home during challenging weather conditions should be made by each family.

Learn more about SD43's process for emergency and inclement weather status updates at: <http://www.sd43.bc.ca/NewsEvents/Pages/EmergencyInformation.aspx>

# November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>Adventure Yoga-2:45-4</i>	3 <i>Student Support Parent Meetings</i>	4 <i>Student Support Parent Meetings Hoop Dancer 1:00 Gym</i>	5
6 <i>Daylight Savings Time ends</i>	7	8	9 <i>PAC Meeting 7—8:30 Adventure Yoga-2:45-4</i>	10 <i>Remembrance Day Ceremony FSA Closes</i>	11 <i>Remembrance Day</i>	12
13	14	15 <i>Fire Drill</i>	16 <i>Adventure Yoga-2:45-4</i>	17	18 <i>Hot Lunch - White Spot</i>	19
20	21	22	23 <i>Picture Retake Day Adventure Yoga-2:45-4 STEAM for Girls 2:50-4</i>	24 <i>STEAM for Girls 2:50-4</i>	25 <i>Treat Day Reading Link</i>	26
27	28	29	30 <i>Adventure Yoga-2:45-4</i>			

# December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 <i>Santa Breakfast</i>	3
4	5 Rehearsals Start	6	7 <i>Dental Screening</i> <i>Adventure Yoga-2:45-4</i> <i>PAC Meeting 7-8:30</i>	8	9 <i>Report Cards Distributed</i> Hot Lunch - Fuel	10
11	12	13 <i>Fire Drill</i>	14 <i>PAC Meeting 7-8:30 \</i> <i>Winter Concert</i> <i>(Afternoon)</i>	15 <i>Winter Concert</i> <i>(Afternoon)</i>	16 <i>Last day before Winter Break</i>	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 <i>Christmas Day</i>	26 <i>Boxing Day</i>	27	28	29	30	31