



Crichton Park Elementary

December 2022



Families,

Students have been busy practicing songs in preparation for the Winter Concert which will take place during the afternoon on the 13th and 14th of December. Thank you Ms. McCauley for organizing this event. Pictured above are the grade 2/3 students enthusiastically singing the last line of their holiday song.

The cold weather is here! Please encourage students to attend school with clothing appropriate for the weather.

When driving in front of the school when the parked bus is present. Please come to a full stop while the stop sign on the bus is displayed in order to ensure student safety while boarding the bus.

Thank you to the volunteers who chaperoned for our trip to "Alice in Winterland". Everyone had a wonderful time.

Upcoming Events

- Dec 1- PD/PT Interviews (aft and eve)
- Dec 2- PD Day (no school for students)
- Dec 13/14- Concerts 1:30
- Dec. 16th,19th,20th- spirit days PJ day, Jersey Day and Festive Day respectively
- Dec 20- Last Day
- Jan 3.- First day after the break

Lost and Found

Please visit the lost and found]]]]]] when/if you are in the school for Parent Teacher interviews. If you would like to check at another time please check in with the office first.



P-3 Literacy at Crichton Park

Pictured above is a glimpse into writer's workshop. Students have had a mini-lesson on a writing skill and are working hard practicing this new skill while the classroom teacher is working with a small group of students. As an ongoing effort to support student achievement in literacy, we will be providing a tip each month for families when reading and writing at home.

Tip of the month: talking about a book helps to deepen comprehension.

Here are some sample questions to help think about and beyond a text.

- How did you think the story would end? What makes you think that?
- What can you learn about a character from the words and pictures?
- How did you predict the story would end?
- What clues helped you make your predictions?

The leadership team would **We'd like to collect donations for the Dartmouth Community Fridge and Margaret's House.**

MOST NEEDED Food ITEMS include:

- soups and stews
- peanut butter
- cereal
- canned vegetables and fruits
- canned meat, fish, and beans
- rice
- pasta and pasta sauce
- baby food and formula
- meal replacement drinks
- canned and powdered milk

Other Items include:

- Hats
- Mits
- Socks
- monetary

**Donations will be collected from
Dec. 12-16th**

Home and School Association

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To join, please email: CrichtonParkHSA@gmail.com

Host Families Needed

HRCE welcomes students from all over the world who would like to attend schools in our region, and we're looking for warm and caring families to provide them with a home away from home!

Host families are matched with a student who will attend their neighbourhood school. The next group of students will arrive in February 2023 for the remainder of this school year, and another group will join us again in September 2023.

For more information, please contact hostastudent@hrce.ca or 902-464-2000 ext. 2548.

Incliment Weather

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