



## Stewart Valley



In November we:

- Dug out from the first snow storm of the season
- Remembered those who served our country
- Sold Purdy's Chocolates as a fundraiser for our SCC
- Packed shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child
- Enjoyed the toboggan hill on our playground
- Welcomed our new facility operator, Mrs. Trudy Skerten.
- Held Parent Teacher Conferences

Into December we will:

- Get more into the Christmas mood by participating in the SRC Spirit Week.
- Enjoy Christmas Crafts sponsored by the SCC
- **Have an Extra Kindergarten Day December 18th**
- Savour the Christmas Pizza Lunch provided by the SCC
- Watch our virtual Christmas Concert
- Celebrate the holidays with our families

WOW! The friendly competition for the Purdy's Chocolates was a huge success! Students and their families sold over \$7000 worth of chocolates, providing the SCC with a profit of over \$1 700! With a portion of that money, they will purchase items for students to use on the playground during recess and gym class, as well as online subscriptions that are educational and fun.

New Mask Protocol is effective November 27th. If you have not already done so, please read the details on page 3. We will do all that we can to try to keep everyone safe and healthy.

The students have began preparation for their performances for the Christmas Concert. Like everything else this year, our concert will look completely different due to COVID 19. Our concert will be pre-recorded, similar to our Remembrance Day Service. A link will be sent to families to view once it is completed.

A special thank-you to the SCC for providing holiday crafts as well as a pizza lunch on Friday, Dec 18th. What a great way to grow the Christmas spirit before the break. Watch for a google form to go out Dec 10th so we order the right amount and variety of pizza.

**Unfortunately, parents will not be allowed into the school to assist with the crafts this year.**

# DECEMBER 2020

The  
best  
Christmas  
gift  
is to  
realize how  
much you  
already  
have!





## From the Principal's Desk



November has been a noteworthy month of school for a number of reasons. We had more snow than we have seen in some time, which resulted in snow forts and hills for our students. Instead of having a Remembrance Day service at our school, we showcased student learning and remembrance with a video. It was wonderful to see that all students and staff contributed in some way, shape, or form. Parent-teacher conferences were different this fall as they were over the phone. I want to thank all of our families for connecting with our teachers to discuss student learning. Your engagement and support make our school the special place that it is! This month we also celebrated and appreciated our school division's bus drivers, who safely transport the precious cargo that is our children. Education week was a time to celebrate teaching and learning, and it even included some memorable costumes for career day!

December is going to stand out from the previous months of school as masking protocols have changed considerably. Masks are now required for all students, staff, and visitors in schools. This mask mandate is in place in an effort to keep our schools open, safe, and operational. Thank you for your continued support throughout these changing times.



**December  
Birthdays:**

Evan  
Ms. Pillman  
Reyna  
Reeve  
Jesse

## S.R.G. NEWS

Thank you to all those that brought items for the shoeboxes. We were able to ship 21 shoeboxes to children who likely wouldn't receive a gift at Christmas.

### CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WEEK:

**Mon. Dec. 14th: Decorate Your Classroom**

**Tues. Dec 15th: Dress in Red & Green**

**Wed. Dec. 16th: Christmas Sweater Day**

**Thurs. Dec. 17th: Dress as Christmas Character**

**Fri. Dec. 18th: Pajama Day**

## Chinook Schools MASK PROTOCOL

The Government of Saskatchewan has mandated masks for all students, employees and visitors in all schools. The following guidelines must be enforced and practiced consistently in Chinook schools.

### PRE-KINDERGARTEN - GRADE 12 STUDENTS

Masks are required at all times on buses and in schools, including in class (except while consuming food/beverage or engaging in aquatic activities). Teachers may offer mask breaks in class, when all students are working independently at their desks.

### STAFF

Masks are required at all times in schools, in Chinook buildings and on buses, unless individuals are working independently in a separate space.

### VISITORS, PARENTS AND CAREGIVERS

Masks are required at all times. All visitors will be screened. Only essential, scheduled visits are encouraged.

### PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Masks are required, except while engaging in aquatic activities. Lower impact activities will be selected to minimize risks.

### PERFORMING ARTS

The Government of Saskatchewan's current Performing Arts Guidelines will be followed.

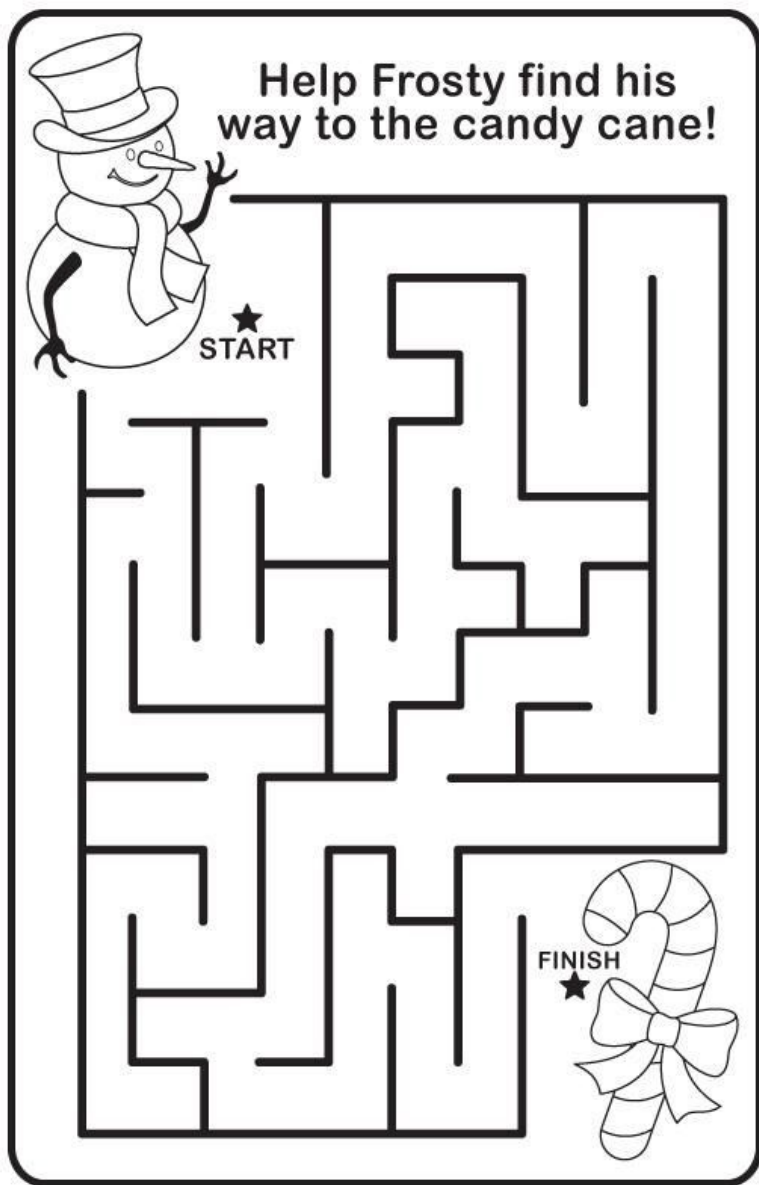
### OUTDOORS

Masks are not required in outdoor spaces. Distancing and class/group cohorting is recommended.



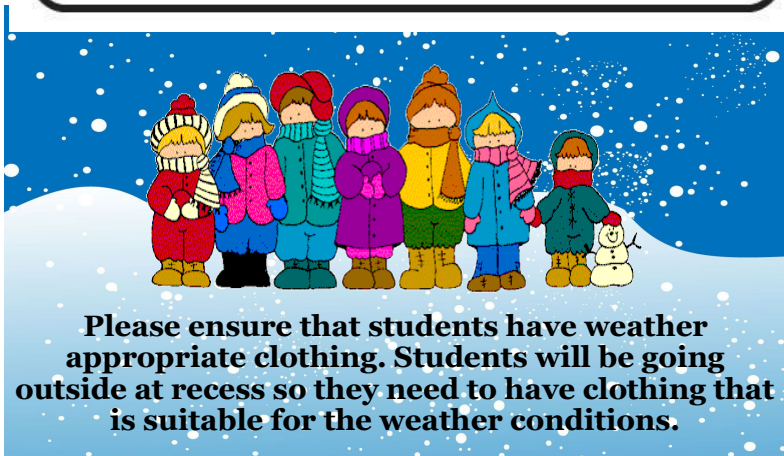
"Yesterday is history.  
Tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift.  
That's why we call it 'The Present'."

— Eleanor Roosevelt



## Can't Catch Me!

Can you find the 2 matching gingerbread people?



### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Jan. 4th: Classes Resume (Kindergarten Day)

Jan. 4th: Pajama Day - wear your school appropriate pj's

**Jan. 26th: Report Cards available**

Jan. 29th: No school for students (turn around day)



**Christmas Pizza Lunch**  
**December 18th**  
 Provided by the SCC  
 Watch for a google form on  
 December 10th.  
 This will be an **extra Kindergarten Day**

