



# Sandowne Newsletter

## December 2024

Dear families,

It is hard to believe that December is upon us! November was a busy month. One of the highlights was our Remembrance Day Assembly. This year several students participated in the assembly, and their contributions made this an especially meaningful gathering. We were all very proud of our students' exemplary behaviour at this assembly. We also would like to thank the Sandowne choir, led by Ms. Hickford, who performed beautifully at the assembly. Most importantly, we are grateful for all those who have served our country past and present.

December is a busy season filled with exciting events in our school. With that in mind, this year's winter concert will be held on December 12th. Students have been working hard on their performances and we look forward to sharing them with you. All the classes at Sandowne have been collecting food items for the Knights of Columbus Christmas Hampers and it has been heart-warming to see how many items have been brought in already. Donations for the Christmas Hampers will be gratefully accepted at our Winter Concert. Thank you!

On behalf of the staff, we would like to take this opportunity to wish all students, parents, and extended families a relaxing holiday and best wishes for the New Year. It is a pleasure to work and learn in such a great environment!

Sincerely,

Kelly Gage and Georgina Knox

**December 4**

Snowflake Ball-  
PAC Event

**December 6**

Dress as a  
Holiday Character

**December 12**

Winter Concert-  
Performances at  
9am and 1pm &  
Red/Green Day

**December 16**

Holiday Hat and  
Hair Day

**December 17**

Entrepreneur Fair  
in Sandowne  
Gym

**December 20**

Pajama Day and  
Hot Cocoa  
Delivery

**Dec. 21-Jan. 5**

Winter Break

# Absences

We appreciate all the parents who are reporting absences in the morning. Thank you!  
There are two ways to report an absence:

- 1) Phone **250-923-4248**
- 2) E-mail **Sandowne@sd72.bc.ca**



It is important to give the following information:

Students Name  
Date of Absence  
Reason for Absence



## Bell Schedule

8:25am-Students gather  
at designated spot

8:30-Class Begins

10:15-10:30-Recess

12-12:45-Lunch and  
recess

2:15-Dismissal

## **Supervision Before and After School**

With mornings becoming darker, for safety reasons, it is important to not have students dropped off before our supervision times.

**Before School**—8:10 until first bell

**After School**—2:15 until 2:30

## Drop off Loop Reminder

**Parents do not park in the student drop-off area, it creates a hazard for our students and other drivers.**



## School Telephones

Our office phone is not to be used during or after school to make play arrangements. Please ensure your child is certain about after-school arrangements before leaving each day so that needless, worrisome situations do not arise. Thank you.

# Sandowne Corkboard

## Parking

Please ensure you are not blocking any residential driveways during drop-off and pick-up.

## Don't forget...

- ♦ Dress for the weather
- ♦ Send your child with a water bottle to keep hydrated.
- ♦ Have an extra change of clothes and pairs of socks in backpacks.



Sandowne Elementary  
Sandowne PAC

## Lost and Found

Please remember to label your child's clothing. Our lost and found is currently overflowing. If items are labelled, we can get them back to their rightful owners.

Thank you for your help with this!

Please remember to sign your child's permission form if they are going on a class field trip. Students cannot go on field trips without their permission form signed by a parent or guardian. Thank you.

# December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 Hot Lunch- Pita Pit Snowflake Ball -5:30-7:30pm	5	6 Hot Lunch- Little Caesars Dress as a Holiday Character	7
8	9	10	11 Hot Lunch- i-Wok	12 Winter Concert- 9am & 1pm Performances	13 Hot Lunch- Little Caesars	14
15	16 Holiday Hat and Hair Day	17 Entrepreneur Fair-Sandowne Gym During School Hours	18 Hot Lunch- Boston Pizza	19	20 Hot Lunch- Little Caesars Pajama Day & Hot Cocoa Delivery	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
WINTER BREAK-SCHOOL CLOSED						
29	30	31				



# SANDOWNE WINTER CONCERT

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12TH  
PERFORMANCES AT 9AM AND 1PM

PLEASE BRING A NON-PERISHABLE FOOD  
DONATION FOR THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS  
COMMUNITY HAMPER FUND ON YOUR WAY  
TO THE CONCERT

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

# Christmas Hamper Drive

## Non-Perishable Items Requested:

Cranberry Sauce	Coffee/ Tea
Cans of Tuna or Salmon	Juice
Cans of Soup	Packages of Cookies
Cans of Milk	Hot Chocolate
Crackers	Cans of Vegetables
Pancake Mix / Syrup	Pasta Sauce
Rice Oats or Cereal	Spaghetti

Please check the expiry dates!

Donations are gratefully accepted until Friday  
December 13th. Please place items on the  
donation table at the front of the school.

*Thank you for your support of the  
Campbell River community!*

# SANDOWNE SPIRIT DAYS

December 6th

Dress as a Holiday  
Character



December 12th

Winter Concert &  
Red/Green Day

December 16th

Holiday Hat and  
Hair Day



December 17th

Entrepreneur Fair

\*Students can buy gifts for their families  
made by our Grade 5 students

December 20th

Pajama Day and Hot  
cocoa delivery



SANDOWNE

# ENTREPRENEUR FAIR

SANDOWNE GYM



**TUESDAY  
DECEMBER 17**  
During  
school hours

**HANDMADE PRODUCTS, GIFT  
IDEAS ALL MADE BY OUR GRADE  
5 STUDENTS**

**EVERYTHING UNDER \$5.00**

Surprise bags, candles, jewelry, key chains, bath products, tie-dye, art, greeting cards, slime, games and so much more



NEED SOME  
EXTRA CLOTHING  
FOR YOUR CHILD?

# MINI FREESTORE







FREE GENTLY USED CLOTHING  
ROBRON CENTER RM A119

Request a package to be put  
together or arrange a time  
to select items

Contact your child's school or Erin at  
[erin.stephens@sd72.bc.ca](mailto:erin.stephens@sd72.bc.ca)

## Sandowne's Illness Reference Guide

### **I need to stay home if...**

I have a fever	I am vomiting	I have diarrhea	I have a rash	I have an eye infection	I have been in the hospital
					
Temperature of 100°F or higher	Within the past 24 hours	Within the past 24 hours	Body rash with itching or fever	Redness, itching and/or 'crusty' drainage from eye	Hospital stay, and/or ER visit



### **I am ready to come back to school when I am.....**

Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication. ie. Tylenol, Motrin	Free from vomiting for at least 48 hours	Free from diarrhea for at least 48 hours	Free from rash, itching, or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Evaluated by my doctor.	Released by my medical provider to return to school.
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# School District 72 Campbell River

## 2024-2025 CALENDAR

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	Instructional
	Non-Instructional
	Vacation Period
	Statutory Holiday
	National Day for Truth and Reconciliation
	Administrative day
	Student led conference

Aug. 29	Pro-D Day
Sept. 2	Labour Day
Sept. 3	Schools Open
Sept. 30	Schools Closed - Truth & Reconciliation Day
Oct. 14	Schools Closed - Thanksgiving
Oct. 25	Pro-D Day
Nov. 1	Student-Led Conference Day Schools to Provide Details About Student Attendance.
Nov. 11	Schools Closed - Remembrance Day
Dec. 23 -	Winter Break
Jan. 3	
Jan. 17	Pro-D Day
Feb. 17	Schools Closed - Family Day
Feb. 18	Pro-D Day
Mar. 17 -	Spring Break
Mar. 28	
Mar. 31	Pro-D Day
Apr. 18	Schools Closed - Good Friday
Apr. 21	Schools Closed - Easter Monday
May 1	Student-Led Conference Day Schools Provide Details About Student Attendance.
May 19	Schools Closed - Victoria Day
June 27	Schools Closed - Administration Day

 Instructional  Non-Instructional  Vacation Period  Statutory Holiday



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Education