

# STETTLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



### **SES Working Together To Empower Leaders**

#### **Dates to Remember:**

Friday, January 6 - Pancakes & Sausage Hot Lunch

Wednesday, January 11 - Ski Trip

Friday, January 13 – Edo Hot Lunch

Friday, January 20 – Subway Hot Lunch

Thursday, January 26 - Ski Trip

Friday, January 27 – Pasta Casserole Hot Lunch

Friday, February 3 – Professional Development Day – No school for students

# **January Newsletter**

## Principal's Message:

Welcome Back and Happy New Year, Everyone!! I certainly hope that everyone had a wonderful break and enjoyed spending time with family and friends during the Christmas season. It is often a time to spend those extra days with the people we most care about and I do hope you had an opportunity to take advantage of that time. Thank you to all of our staff who made our Christmas Concerts so successful again this year, and thank you to our parents for supporting the concerts and bake sales. The bake sales are an important fundraiser for the School Council and we appreciate all of the parents who took advantage of this opportunity to participate in fundraising with, and for, the School Council. Thank you once again to the School Council for their major undertaking with this event, and for so generously donating the proceeds to our new bookroom at the school. It is genuinely appreciated. As well, we extend a big thank you to everyone for all of the positive comments about the Christmas Concert performances. Your gratitude for the work that goes into these events is indeed appreciated.

As we move into this new year, we take time to reflect back on the school year so far. We certainly had a very busy few months before our Christmas break. We reflect on events that our school participated in and goals we accomplished. The students and staff decided it would be fun to throw pies in Mrs. Syson's, Mr. Lee's and my face. This stemmed from our Terry Fox Run with the challenge of our school raising \$15 000. Our school raised over \$16,000 and again we are very proud of the fundraising done by our students. Excellent job, SES for doing such great work contributing to the Terry Fox Foundation. Also, in December, our Kindergarten classes entertained seniors at Willow Creek, Heart Haven, Paragon Place and Points West with their Christmas Concert songs. These contributions to our community are very, very appreciated.

Stettler Elementary School, together with the Jewell Theatre donated a movie and popcorn to all of our kindergarten to Grade 6 classes as a Christmas present to the students. A huge and sincere thank you to the Jewell Theatre for your generous gift, and to Sean from No Frills for donating bottles of water to each and every student and staff member. We do appreciate your support, and our students thoroughly enjoyed the movie and class parties.

As we move into January, many of our classes are celebrating New Years by making New Year's Resolutions and sharing their holiday stories. We are looking forward to a successful 2017 and our staff is looking forward to further enhancing the "Leader In Me" program, which has served our students very well over the past few years. On February 3<sup>rd</sup> our teachers will be taking part in a Professional Development Day, with Franklin Covey facilitator Frank Teravich, so there will be no school for students. I have no doubt that January will prove to be an exciting month for staff and students at SES. We will be having a few classroom presentations, an assembly to celebrate the great things accomplished so far at SES, as well our ski program for grades 4, 5, and 6 will begin on January 11. We will also be hosting Dinosaur Days in the near future. All classes will be participating in this fun event, so please watch for further details coming home with your children. We are looking very forward to a fantastic 2017 year at SES, and we wish all of our families a year filled with happiness and success. Once again, Happy New Year!!!