



Welcome to
Fox Creek School
December 2019



Parent Newsletter

Principal's Message

December has been a busy month at Fox Creek School. Our Christmas Concert was a huge success due to the hard work of our students and teachers. It was great to see so many parents and community members out to enjoy the Concert. Student Leadership hosted a number of activities which included our first of many hot lunch hot dog days. Candy Grams, School Dance, Santa Anonymous and Ugly Sweater Day were also sponsored by the Student Leadership Group. We thank everyone for their hard work putting these events together and we would also like to thank all of those who attended or engaged in these events.

Please take time to familiarize yourself with the Diploma Exam and Final Exam Schedules in the Newsletter. The last day of regular classes for High School will be Friday January 24, 2019. Please note Grade 9 students will be writing their Science and LA Provincial Achievement Tests as well this semester. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school. Keep in mind Diploma Exam Dates are set by Alberta Education and there is no flexibility in changing these dates.

As the festive season is just around the corner, I want to take a moment to thank all parents/guardians and teachers for your support and dedication in giving our students the best educational experience. I wish all of you a very happy and restful holiday season and look forward to seeing all of you in the New Year.

Ian Baxter Principal Fox Creek School

Email List:

If you would like to be added to our email list and receive an electronic version of our newsletter, please contact Mrs. Thackeray at the office or pamela.thackeray@ngps.ca



Dates to mark your calendar

Jan. 6th:
First Day
Back for
Students

Jan. 31st
PD Day
No School

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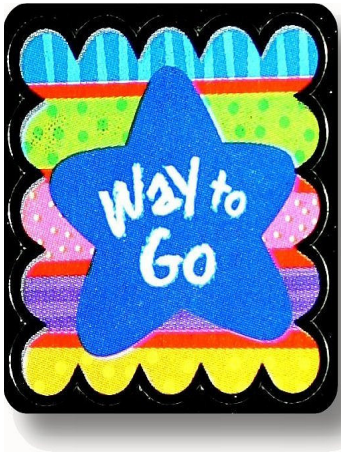
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NEWS FROM ELEMENTARY

The following students received virtue of “**Responsibility**” for the month of December:



K. AM- Merryn Pauling
K. PM- Cassidy Thatcher
1L- Evalina LaRose
½L- Kaelyn Fisher
2G- Sophie Sheppard
3S- Brooke Bibaud
4W- Everett Burnett-Wiltse
5C- Luke Grumbach
5O- Peyton Barker
6S- Michael Donovan

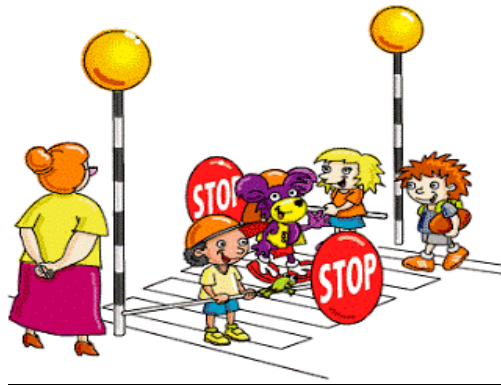
Scholastic Book Winners for December are:



K. AM- Piper Huether
K. PM- Parker Donovan
1- Ava-Lee Jahnke
½- Arianna Lussier
2- Tobias Olij
3- Brooke Bibaud
4- Gene Chavez
5C- Adam Auclair
5O-Orla Dewalt
6S- Jayce Coley

Good job to all of you!!

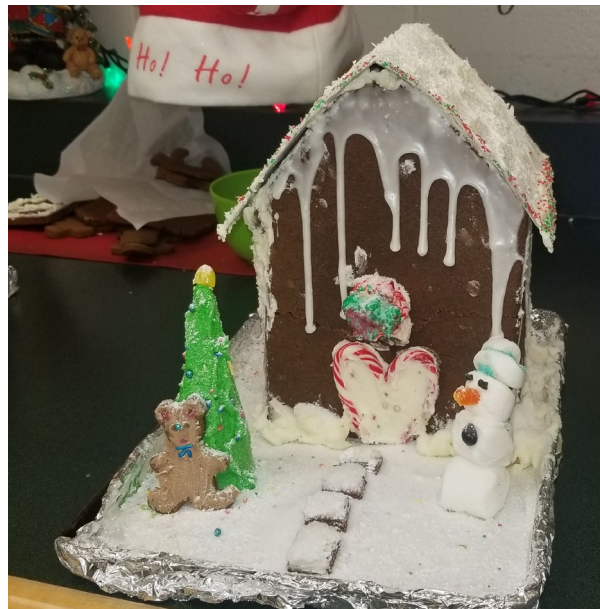
Virtue of the Month Students



Patroller of the Month of December: Joshua Kirton

Grade 8 Foods Class

The Grade 8 Foods class made some delicious looking gingerbread houses!!



Ms. Langdale's Grade One Class

1L were working on their Elf applications. They had to come up with the job they would apply to and what would be their favorite part of the job. 1L would make fine elves!





Christmas Dream Catchers

Huge Thank You to Deborah Lloyd for coming out to teach the Gr. 4-9 classes how to make Christmas Dream Catchers!



ELEMENTARY CHRISTMAS CONCERT





Library News

As we wind down for Christmas, we want to thank the Fox Creek Municipal Library Board for supplying cookies, candy and frosting for the entire school. All classes were invited to decorate a cookie the last week of school. What a way to see out the old year.

There is a new art display “LURE” up in the library the last week of school and into January when students return. It is very colourful and most interesting. Please come in and take a look. This display is part of the Alberta Foundation for the Arts Travelling Exhibits.

The library will be closed from December 21, 2019 until January 6, 2020. Merry Christmas from all of us here at the library and have a safe and happy New Year.



Dear Parents:

As a result of the cuts to funding for the education sector of the province, we as a school have made the following changes to how we are doing some of our business:

1. In order to cut costs on our phone bill, we have decided to reduce the number of lines coming into the school. We now only have one phone line coming in. We apologize if you can't get through on the first try. You can either phone back later or leave a message. Mrs. Hailes' voicemail extension is 202. As she is here all day the message will be retrieved in a timely manner. If you are trying to contact the school at 8:45 A.M. no one will answer the phone as we are playing O'Canada at that time. A reminder that we will not transfer calls to a teacher's classroom while classes are in session.
2. As the cost of postage is going up in the new year we will be sending most of our correspondence to parents by e-mail (if we have your e-mail address). Some information will still be going by Canada Post, but most will be coming by e-mail.

If you have any question about these changes, please feel free to contact Mr. Baxter at the school 780-622-3742



EXAM BANK

Practice tests for all grade levels are available on this site.

1. Log onto alberta.exambank.com
2. On the left hand side choose a grade level
3. Choose which exam you want to write and click on the start exam button
4. username: foxcreek
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“Cannabis is good for you because it comes from the ground and is natural.”

Sounds silly, doesn't it?

(Almost as silly as suggesting that cannabis cures cancer.)

KNOW THE FACTS!

FACT: The inhalation of cannabis smoke exposes you to many of the same chemicals found in cigarettes.

Source: Alberta Health Services

Use your head, trust the facts.

#NAAW2019 | #SOUNDSSILLY



Just because cannabis is now legal for adults does NOT mean that it is healthy for you. If smoking, the inhalation of a combustible product is never a good thing. If a building were burning down, you wouldn't run inside to inhale the smoke...why would cannabis be any different? If using a non-combustible form of cannabis you can still be exposed to numerous other potentially negative side effects.

Know the facts!

For more information on cannabis, please visit any of the following reputable links:

1. <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/info/Page15989.aspx>
2. <https://www.alberta.ca/cannabis-legalization.aspx>
3. <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/health/campaigns/cannabis/health-effects.html>



Non Diploma High School Final Exam Schedule January 2020

Date	Time	Subject
Monday January 27	9:00 am - 12:00	Chemistry 20 - Ian Baxter Room Social Studies 10-1/10-2 Ian Wallace Room 4
Tuesday January 28	9:00 am - 12:00	Social Studies 20-1/20-2 Ian Wallace Room 4 Math 10C - Math 10/3 Matt Room 39
Wednesday January 29	9:00 am - 12:00	ADLC and Individualized Final Exams - Leanne Room 4

Grade 9 PAT Exam Schedule

Wednesday, January 15	9:00 - 12:00	Grade 9 English Language Arts Part A Grade 9 K&E English Language Arts Part A Tiffany Sigurdur
Friday, January 24	9:00 - 12:00	Grade 9 English Language Arts Part B Grade 9 K&E English Language Arts Part B Tiffany Sigurdur Room
Monday, January 27	9:00 - 12:00	Grade 9 Science Grade 9 K&E Science Leanne Pretula Room



Diploma Exams Schedule

January 2020

Diploma exams **must** be administered according to the scheduled dates and times.

All diploma exams, EXCEPT those that are ASTERISKED (*), remain secured before, during, and after administration.

Monday, January 13	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	English Language Arts 30–1 Part A* English Language Arts 30–2 Part A*
Tuesday, January 14	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. 9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M.	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) A* Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) A*
Wednesday, January 15	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. 9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Français 30–1 Partie A French Language Arts 30–1 Partie A*
Tuesday, January 21	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M. 9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Français 30–1 Partie B French Language Arts 30–1 Part B
Wednesday, January 22	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Mathematics 30-1 Mathematics 30-2
Thursday, January 23	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	English Language Arts 30–1 Part B English Language Arts 30–2 Part B
Friday, January 24	9:00 A.M.–11:30 A.M.	Social Studies 30–1 Part(ie) B Social Studies 30–2 Part(ie) B
Monday, January 27	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Biology 30
Tuesday, January 28	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Chemistry 30
Wednesday, January 29	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Physics 30
Thursday, January 30	9:00 A.M.–12:00 P.M.	Science 30 [†]

[†]Science 30 is administered only in English in January 2020.

All students are provided with up to double the official time noted above, if they require it.