

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER

Wishing you and your family a happy,
safe and restful holiday season!

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Upcoming Events

DECEMBER 16

Kindergarten Holiday Assembly 2:00

DECEMBER 17

Primary Holiday Assembly 12:00

DECEMBER 18

Red & Green/Twin Day

9:10 Assembly/Sing Along

JANUARY 4

BACK TO SCHOOL

JANUARY 13

Intermediate Ice Hockey tournament

JANUARY 14

Elephant Thoughts assembly

The Mountain View staff would like to wish everyone a safe and enjoyable holiday break.

There have been so many exciting activities and events at Mountain View recently. These are only a few:

© Mrs. Limoges' students worked with every class during the Hour of Code week. Ask your child how they enjoyed this excellent learning opportunity. Thanks to students, Mrs. Noakes and Mrs. Limoges this was a very successful activity.

© Congratulations to our Intermediate Boys Volleyball team for winning the West Zone Volleyball Championship. We can't wait to hang the banner in our gym.

© Thanks to the fundraising efforts of the community over the last two years we will be purchasing and installing a new audio / video system in our gym in the new year. The LCD projector will be installed on the ceiling and the speakers on the walls. A brand new sound system will also be purchased.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

A HUGE thanks to everyone who has contributed to our food drive. This year the donations will be split between families in our school community and the Salvation Army.



In The News

FRENCH IMMERSION AND EXTENDED FRENCH INFO NIGHTS AND REGISTRATION INFO

The Simcoe County District School Board (SCDSB) offers French Immersion (FI) and Extended French as a Second Language (EFSL) at select schools throughout the county. FI begins in Grade 1 and EFSL begins in Grade 5. These programs give students a bilingual education and the opportunity to become fluent in another language.

Information sessions will be held in January for parents of Kindergarten and Grade 4 students. A letter will be sent home to those parents with more details. Information session dates will be posted at www.scdsb.on.ca under Programs, French as a Second Language.

To apply for these programs, you must complete the online application form in January at www.scdsb.on.ca under Programs, French as a Second Language. The FI application form will be available from 9 a.m. on Monday, Jan. 18, until 9 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 19, 2016. The EFSL application form will be available from 9 a.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 20, until 9 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 21, 2016.

While every effort will be made to accommodate all FI applications, available space and staffing will determine how many students can be registered in the program. Applications will be processed in the order they are received electronically.

EFSL is an open access program. This means that any student starting Grade 5 in September 2016 will be eligible for the EFSL program, and all online applications will be processed. **It is important to note that January 2016 is the last time students can register for the EFSL program in the SCDSB, as the EFSL program is being phased out.** Parents who do not have Internet access at home, or who require other assistance accessing the online application, should contact the school.



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION OPENS IN JANUARY

Do you (or someone you know) have a child who was born in 2012? If so, it's almost time to register them for Kindergarten in the SCDSB! Beginning on January 25, 2016, Simcoe County's public schools will be registering children for Kindergarten for the 2016-2017 school year. Required registration documents include birthdate documentation, proof of address and record of immunization. For more information, visit www.scdsb.on.ca/kindergarten.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE – REGISTER NOW FOR WINTER SESSIONS

Do you or someone you know want to improve your English language skills? The SCDSB Learning Centres can help. English as a Second Language (ESL) classes for adults are offered at the Barrie and Bradford Learning Centres, and at the Allison Learning Centre (pending enrolment numbers). Please visit www.thelearningcentres.com or call for more information: Barrie 705-725-8360, Bradford: 905-775-4432 or Alliston: 705-435-7778.

In The Community



DENTAL SCREENING PROGRAM

The Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit Oral Health team will be at our school on **February 18th, 19th & 22nd 2016** to conduct dental screenings. A dental screening is a quick look in the mouth using a sterilized tooth mirror. Don't forget to look for the information letter from the health unit, which will be coming home with your child.

MESSAGE FROM THE SIMCOE MUSKOKA DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT: HEALTHY CELEBRATIONS

Healthy classroom/school celebrations are great opportunities for children to practice the healthy eating habits they learn in the classroom. Make it easier for students to choose healthy foods and provide a healthier option for your child's next classroom celebration – here are some ideas:

- Send a tray of watermelon slices, a box of clementine oranges or fruit kabobs.
- Make homemade mini muffins with whole wheat flour and grated carrots or apples.
- Send a tray of whole grain crackers, cubes of lower fat cheese and grapes.
- Prepare chocolate-dipped strawberries for Valentine's day!

For more information you can call Health Connection at 705-721-7520 or 1-877-721-5720 and speak with a public health nurse or visit the health unit's website at www.simcoemuskokahealth.org.



Sports & Clubs



INTERMEDIATE BOYS VOLLEYBALL

Coaches Mrs. Sandell and Mrs. Wiszniak would like to congratulate the boys on winning the Area Championship !!

The boys went to the County Finals and lost in a valiant effort in the quarter finals.

West Zone Area Champions



INTERMEDIATE GIRLS BASKETBALL

Mrs. Aikens would like to congratulate the girls on a great season. Each and every game they improved their skills and working together as a team. In the Area tournament they won two games – way to go!



STUDENT LEADERSHIP

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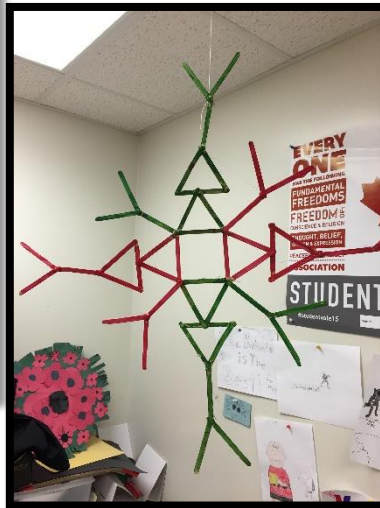
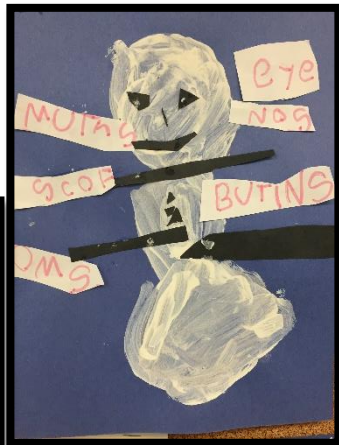
In the
Spotlight

Friendship Patrol is new at Mountain View. A team of junior students will walk around the primary yard each recess and help students who are looking for someone to play with. Friendship Patrol will also help with conflict resolution. The Friendship Patrol will be easy to find on the yard in fluorescent pink safety vests. Students at Mountain View can

make a difference! Mrs. Honeyball would like to thank the over 30 students who signed up for the Friendship Patrol – A perfect example of student leadership at Mountain View



Mountie Art



School Council

THE SCHOOL COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE WHO VISITED THE ANNUAL HOLIDAY FAIR. IT WAS A GREAT SUCCESS!

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK:

- ☺ EVERYONE WHO DONATED GOODS AND SERVICES TO OUR SILENT AUCTION.
- ☺ ALL THE ADULT AND STUDENT VOLUNTEERS WHO MADE THIS EVENT POSSIBLE
- ☺ THE VENDORS FOR CHOOSING THE MOUNTAIN VIEW HOLIDAY FAIR
- ☺ SANTA CLAUS

NEED A LAST MINUTE HOLIDAY GIFT IDEA?

GIVE THE GIFT OF READING THIS YEAR!

Order a magazine subscription for someone special this holiday season!

Simply go to www.QSP.ca and start shopping.

Use the Account Finder to find our Group ID to support our school.

Remember, you can order a magazine for anyone who lives in Canada.

No line ups, no wrapping and one size fits all. It's the gift that lasts all year long!



Many magazines ordered will begin to arrive in the next several weeks, but some subscriptions may take longer to start due to publishing schedules. If you have questions, please contact QSP Customer Service at 1-800-667-2536. 100% Satisfaction Guarantee!

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THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN!

We would like to thank everyone for participating in this fundraiser.

So far the profits from the magazines ordered is \$3 200.

These funds went directly to pay for the new audio and video system going into the gym in the new year.

