



# St. Louis Elementary School Newsletter

## December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023



Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that December is here, and Christmas is right around the corner. This fall has certainly gone quickly! Thank you for your continued support as we navigated through these past few months. In the coming weeks we will be working on many exciting things, including our Christmas concert. Our concert will be in person this year and students are already beginning to work on their performances. It will be a great show!

We will also be collecting non-perishable food items for the Caring Cupboard as we have done in past years. We will be collecting items from Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. Students always take great pride in giving to others and helping support families in need. ***Please make sure to check expiry dates on any items donated.*** The class which brings in the most items (averaged by number of students in the classroom) will take the items to the Caring Cupboard drop off center in Tignish on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>

We hope you all find time to enjoy the holiday season. December can be a stressful time for many. Please access supports and services as needed (please note some of the deadlines are drawing near):

**West Prince Caring Cupboard News:**

Caring and sharing our Christmas abundance.  
Help us to help others at Christmas!

How can You <b>HELP</b> for Christmas 2023?	How and where can You <b>REQUEST</b> a hamper?
All financial donations will be gratefully accepted.	Please make your request for a hamper from Nov. 1 to <b>December 5, 2023</b>
<p><b>Any financial donation is welcome:</b>  <b>\$25 helps provides Milk, Bread, Eggs and Cheese</b>  <b>\$40 helps provide a Turkey</b>  <b>\$85 helps provide a box of non-perishable food</b>  <b>\$150 helps feed a family for the holidays</b></p>	<p><b>O’Leary West Cape Pastoral Charge</b>  <i>Rev. Beth</i>  <b>902 859 2678</b></p> <p><b>Bloomfield Area Christmas Hampers</b>  <i>Almeda</i>  <b>902 853 3999</b></p> <p><b>Alberton Area Christmas Hampers</b>  <i>Anne Marie</i>  <b>902 853 3838</b></p> <p><b>Tignish Parish of St. Simon &amp; St. Jude</b>  <i>Susan</i>  <b>902 882 2049</b></p> <p><b>Palmer Road Area Christmas Hampers</b>  <i>Teresa</i>  <b>902 853 3804</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Donations can be made to  <b>West Prince Caring Cupboard</b>  P.O. Box 187, Alberton, PE, C0B 1B0    etransfers to  <a href="mailto:wpcaringcupboard@gmail.com">wpcaringcupboard@gmail.com</a>    (<u>designate Christmas Hampers</u>)</p>	
<p style="text-align: center;">Please make <u>cheques</u> payable to  <b>West Prince Caring Cupboard</b>  and designate <u>Christmas Hampers</u>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">All donations over \$10 will receive a tax receipt.</p>	

**Theme Days**

- Dec 1<sup>st</sup> – Candy Cane Day-wear red & white
- Dec 8<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Hat Day
- Dec 15<sup>th</sup> - Grinchmas
- Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> – Christmas P.J.'s



**PEI's Healthy School Lunch Program**


Anyone who is not registered for the Provincial School Lunch Program can still register @ [www.peischoolfood.ca](http://www.peischoolfood.ca) **Reminder that students should bring utensils to school** with them as forks/spoons are no longer provided. Thanks!

**Dates to Remember:**

- Dec 12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Bizarre
- Dec 19<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Concert 10:30am and 1:15pm (Storm Date Dec 20<sup>th</sup>)
- Dec 22<sup>nd</sup> - Last Instructional Day for Students in 2023
- Jan 8<sup>th</sup> - First Instructional Day for Students in 2024
- Feb 19<sup>th</sup> - Islander Day (No classes)
- March 8<sup>th</sup>- Parent & Teacher Interviews (No Classes)
- March 22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup>- Midterm Break (No Classes)
- March 29<sup>th</sup>- Good Friday (No Classes)
- April 1<sup>st</sup> – Easter Monday (No Classes)

**Weather**

December weather can be deceptively cold as we not only experience colder weather, but also wind chills as well. Please ensure your children are dressed for the cold and the wind as we try to get outside as much as possible. In winter months we go outside in below zero weather. The cut off for going outside is anything colder than -19. Thanks!



Just a reminder that children are expected to be waiting at the bus stop when the school bus arrives. Now that we are into colder weather drivers are finding that children are not always ready. Please watch for the bus so students are ready when it arrives.



**St. Louis Elementary's  
2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Christmas Bizarre**

**Examples of Donations:**

- CRAFTS
- CANDLES
- JEWELRY
- HOME DÉCOR
- BOOKS
- ORNAMENTS
- WRAPPING PAPER
- GIFT BAGS
- GIFT TAGS
- TAPE

**\*\*Please keep items small for their backpacks**

**December  
12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>  
Donations will be accepted until  
December 8<sup>th</sup>**

**What is a Christmas Bizarre?**

A Christmas Bizarre is an event held by the H&S for all the children of St. Louis Elementary to have the opportunity to do some Christmas shopping of their own. We are looking forward to another great year!

**Thank in advance for all your support!**

