

The Ocean Viewer

December



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Upcoming Dates in December:

Dec 6	Holiday concert tickets go home. Please return any not needed.
Dec 9th	Waitlist for tickets goes live.
Dec 9 th	PTO Front Row Seat Draw
Dec 11 &12th	Holiday concerts (see below for details)
Dec 12 th	PTO 50/50 draw at evening concert
Dec 13th	Q-Mack coming to OVES for whole school
Dec 16 th	Bring and Buy tags go home
Dec 16-20th	Spirit Week
Dec 6-18th	Collecting for Food Bank
Dec 20th	Grade 2s going to spread cheer at Ocean View Manor
Dec 20th	Bring and Buy
Dec 20 th Jan 6 th	Last day of school Schools re-open

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Happy Holidays

December seems to just fly by with concerts, PTO events, and the feeling of the season. **Please make sure your children have a change of clothes, extra socks, hats, and mitts in their backpacks.** This helps when students become wet after playing outside.

The staff here at OVES would like to wish everyone a safe, happy, and relaxing holiday break! See you on Jan 6th, 2020!

Take care,

Mrs. Brace (Principal) & Ms. Walsh (Vice-Principal)

Parking Woes

Please refrain from parking in the following areas:

- No stopping zones
- On the grass on Oceanview School road – your vehicle may be off the road but it is still a no parking area
- In front of the gates on the fire access road

Spirit Week:

We are having a spirit week the last week of school from Dec 16-20th. Here is what is happening:

Dec 16 – Holiday Hair or Hat day ; Dec 17th – PJ day ; Dec 18th – Snowman day ; Dec 19th: Holiday Bling ; Dec 20th: Red, Green, and Grinch day.

Hot Lunch Pizza

We will send out the order forms for our next 5 week Tuesday Pizza block once we return from the holidays. This means that pizza will NOT start right away.

Service Dogs

Just a reminder to please make sure pet dogs are kept off of school property. We have families in our area that have service dogs who are trained to specifically support their handler. When other dogs are around, this can affect the service dogs from doing their job. Keeping pet dogs off of school property minimizes this chance and also helps with those that have allergies or fears around dogs. If you see a service dog, please be mindful of what they are trained for and keep your distance. We appreciate your support with this. You can find out more information at <https://novascotia.ca/servicedogs/>.

PTO events/fundraisers:

50/50 tickets for Bucks for Books have gone out. We will also be selling them at the concerts as well. Get your tickets now!

Front Row Seats: Draw date is Dec 9th. Winners will be contacted by PTO

Bring and Buy: PTO is collecting donations. It will take place on Dec 19th. More information to follow

Food Bank Donations:

Students from Island View High School came and gave a presentation to each of our classes on the importance of donating to our food banks. Their goal is to get almost 3000 pieces of food to donate – so let's help them out! You can send in non-perishable items to be put in the boxes in the front foyer.

Holiday Concert information-

- Tickets for the evening concerts on Dec 11 & 12th will be sent out Dec 6th.
- An online wait list will be posted on Dec 9th. There is NO guarantee of any extra tickets being available. We are relying on people sending back tickets that they don't need.
- If you don't hear back from us on the day of the concert that you have requested extra tickets for, that means that there were none to give.
- You DO need tickets for the evening concert – you MUST have them to enter. Babies and toddler still count as bodies even if they don't take a seat.
- You do NOT need tickets for the afternoon concerts.
- Afternoon concert: 1:30pm with doors opening at 1:15pm Dec 11 & Dec 12
- Evening concert: 6:30pm with doors opening at 6pm Dec 11 & 12

Here is the line up:

<u>December 11th</u>	<u>December 12</u>
P Lambert, P Cheverie, 1 Mason/Wilhelm, 2 Clarke, 2 Watson, 3 Anderson	P Craft, P/1 MacLeod, 1 Gillis, 1 Shellnut/Walsh, 2 Smith, 2/3 Tynes, 3 Ardley

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Lost and Found:

We do have a lost and found at the school. We generally put it out for classes to come look at around certain times of year (parent teacher, before the holidays, etc). We encourage parents to label their children's clothing and remind their children to be mindful of their things. We do donate unclaimed clothing to local charities. If your child is missing something, you are welcome to come and look. Please make sure to sign in at the office.



School Cancellation/Delayed start: (click on picture)

We are in the Island View Family of Schools. If there is a delayed start, our day will begin 2 hours after instructional time – this means that our day would begin at 10:45am. Information can be found on Twitter, our website, and hrce.ca

Wind chill protocol:

Below is from our Windchill protocol that helps us determine whether or not the students will go outside. Since we are on a hill near the ocean, it can get very cold. Please send your child with warm hats, mitts, and outdoor gear.

Definition of Wind Chill

Wind chill is the cooling sensation caused by the combined effects of temperature and wind. It is a feeling, not a real temperature.

Guiding Principles

Student safety is the number one priority. We consider all of the following factors before deciding whether it is safe for children to be outdoors in the cold.

- Are the students dressed in warm clothing, with good protection for their heads, hands and feet?
- How long will the students be outside?
- Will they be standing still or active and generating heat?
- Is the area exposed to the wind? Is it sunny or shaded? (The sun may lessen the effects of the wind chill a little.)

The following chart is based on guidelines from Environment Canada. Keep in mind that the guidelines were developed for healthy adults; young children may be more sensitive to the cold.

<i>If the wind chill is...</i>	<i>then...</i>
0°C to -20°C	take care in deciding whether it is appropriate to send students outside (see the factors listed above)
-21°C to -27°C	seriously consider whether it is appropriate to send students outside
below -27°C	do not send students outside