

### Upcoming Events:

- **Monday & Tuesday- December 5 & 6: Christmas Market**
- **Tuesday, December 6 - Report Cards available Online**
- **Tuesday, December 6- Saturday, December 10: Scholastic Book Fair in the Library**
- **Wednesday, December 7: Hot Lunch-Pita Pit**
- **Thursday, December 8- No school for students: Staff Learning a.m., Parent Teacher Interviews 1:00-8:00**
- **Friday, December 9-No School**
- **Wednesday, December 21: Hot Lunch-Boston Pizza**
- **Thursday, December 22: Christmas Concert**
- **Friday, December 23: Pajama Day**  
-Students are dismissed one hour early @ 2:25
- **January 9, 2017 - First day back after Christmas Vacation!**
- **January 9, 2017 - Kindergarten Registration begins @ 9:00 a.m**

### Principal's Message

As December arrives and we move closer to our holiday break, it is hard to believe that the first few months of the school year have already passed and that we are all getting ready for our annual December concert. The past few months have been an extremely rewarding and an eventful journey for all of the staff and students here at EBWS. As the holidays draw near, the entire staff here at EBWS would like to send our thanks for all that you have done to make our first few months go smoothly. We also wish you a restful and relaxing holiday break as we look forward to the second part of our year here at École Barrie Wilson School.

Chris Good, Principal

## December News from EBWS

### Christmas Concert

BW's Christmas Concert will take place on December 22. We will be having two performances- one in the morning and one in the evening. The concert will be divided into three sections. There will be time between each set for parents to come and go. We encourage guests to consider viewing the morning performance. Both concerts will also be livestreamed if you are unable to make it. **Times for morning and evening concerts are as follows:**



**Morning: K 9:15**  
**Grades 1-2 10:00**  
**Grades 3-5 10:45**

**Evening: K 6:00**  
**Grades 1-2 6:45**  
**Grades 3-5 7:30**

### Christmas Market

Our third annual BW Christmas Market is fast approaching, and we can't wait to help all the students shop for treasures for their family. This will take place on Monday, December 5th. The students are always so excited to make their purchases and we are pleased to be raising funds, to help families throughout Red Deer. Donations of items for the market are now being accepted at the school, as well as donations of gift bags and tissue paper. If you are interested in helping out with setup for the market or on the day of the market, please go to [schoolinterviews.ca](http://schoolinterviews.ca) and enter the code **txqn6**. Thank you so much for your support of this great event!





### Look who's been sent to the office

The following students have been sent to the office to show Mr. Good their good work: Fenris Tang, Ayaan Vadbheru, Sophia Addison, Peyton Cozens, Abigail Fieger, Edmund Ke, Taylor McCallum, Payton Miller, Alexander Colton, Ethan Elder, Riley Rodocker, Tyler Russell, Sophie Bilo, Tieran Bourassa, Max Hammerback, Laya Lafontaine, Garret Voice, Megan Kilpatrick, Eve Baird, Leila Carramusa, Aliya Judson, Sarah Lerouge, Kashton Loree, Kei McMullen, Galen Nadeau, Kinsley Richardson and Maxwell Scholer.

### Wilson Ways

Our students continue to do a great job demonstrating our three Wilson Ways of Be Respectful, Be Responsible and Be Resilient. Each week we host a weekly B3 lesson where we discuss and demonstrate what the Wilson Ways are all about with students. We hosted our Wilson Way's Pizza Lunch on November 24th and recognized the following students: Evie Johanson, Cohen Wiens, Miranda Garcia Rosales, Darius Kozoletov, Alexandria Ballantyne, Jarelle Lemon, Berkley Lidgren, Jack Naldrett, Colby Brown, Jenna Tiffinger, Kenndra Currie and Shayden Anderson. **Wilson Ways Bonus Draw** - Thank you to Dustin Henfrey from ReMax Realty for donating two family passes to the RDC Theatre Production, Robin Hood. Congratulations to Lilly Hamilton and Olivia Forbes! We hope you and your families enjoyed the evening!



**Congratulations** to Mrs. Burrows' class for winning the pumpkin carving contest! **Thank you** to Lori Cartwright from Royal LePage for donating the pumpkins and the pizza lunch to the winning class!

### Report Cards and Parent Teacher Conferences

The first report card of the year will be available online through your child's eportfolio on Tuesday, December 6th. We will not be sending a paper copy home. Report cards are an important part of the assessment picture here at EBWS and we know this update will give parents, teachers and students the opportunity to continue to build pathways for student success. Conferences are being held on Thursday, December 8 from 1:00 to 8:00. To book your child's conference please go to [schoolinterviews.ca](http://schoolinterviews.ca) and enter the code **uns5f**.

### Schools in Transition

The Red Deer Public School District Admin has sent letters to indicate which school your child should go to effective September 2017 (if they are not in Barrie Wilson's attendance area). Unfortunately, the system they use to identify students in other attendance areas is not perfect. So, to ensure that you have the most up to date information, please go to our school website: select Quick Links and then select- School in Transition. This will provide the most up to date information.

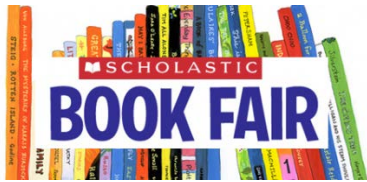


### Festival of Trees

Congratulations goes out to our school choir for their excellent performance at the Festival of Trees on Friday, November 25th. A big thanks to Mr. Niemetz, Ms. Fletcher, and Mrs. Ludwig for all of the time they committed to get our choir organized and ready for their performance.



**Christmas Hamper**- If you are aware of any families in need, please contact our office so that we can provide support.



The Timberland's library will be hosting the Scholastic Book Fair from Tuesday, December 6 to Saturday, December 10. It will be open to the school and public during regular library hours. For an idea of some of the titles that should be available for purchase at the book fair, see <http://scholastic.ca/bookfairs/featuredbooks2.php?email=CBF/e/20160800/email///greatadvertising//flyer///>. Also, any student who makes a purchase at the book fair will be entered into a draw to win \$25 worth of book fair materials, and the winner's teacher will also get to spend \$25 at the fair for their classroom library.

### Lost & Found items

Please take a moment to stop in and search the lost and found box on or before December 22nd. All unclaimed items will be picked up for donation on December 23.

### First Nations and Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line

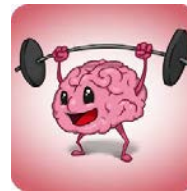
Health Canada has announced the launch of the First Nations and Inuit Hope for Wellness Help Line: 1-855-242-3310 (Toll free) Callers can access the Help Line 24/7 effective immediately. The Hope for Wellness Help Line is to provide immediate culturally competent telephone-based crisis intervention counselling to First Nations and Inuit young people and adults experiencing distress. Help Line calls will be answered by experienced crisis intervention counsellors, and service will be available in English and French. Callers may also ask about the availability of service in Cree, Ojibway and Inuktitut.

**Remind 101** - If you haven't yet signed up for Remind 101, please do so. Remind 101 is a text messaging service that allows the school to send you messages and notifications about upcoming school events directly to your phone. To sign up for EBWS News via Remind 101, you need to text @338750 to (587) 316-1692

### Kindergarten Registration -

Registration for both our English and French

Immersion Kindergarten Programs will begin on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup>. Children who were born in 2012 are eligible to register.



### Growth Mindset

Growth mindset creates a love of learning and a resilience that is essential for great accomplishment. Students are taught that their brain is "like" a muscle that grows. Students learn about their brain and how to build strong neural pathways. They are taught to build strong neural pathways by participating, practicing, and persevering. It takes time and effort to build strong neural pathways. Mistakes are part of learning. Students can ask an expert for help when building these new neural pathways. We have also taught students the "power of yet". Take a peek at what world-renowned Stanford University psychologist Carol Dweck tells us about the word "yet". <https://goo.gl/loEo8G>

*"Just the words "yet" or "not yet," we're finding, give kids greater confidence, give them a path into the future that creates greater persistence. And we can actually change students' mindsets. In one study, we taught them that every time they push out of their comfort zone to learn something new and difficult, the neurons in their brain can form new and stronger connections." Carol S. Dweck*



Parking is NOW AVAILABLE on Timberlands Drive north of the school for pick up and dropping off students.

## Winter Skating Program

Skating is part of the Alberta Physical Education curriculum in the Alternative Environments section of the program. It is the intention that ALL children at Ecole Barrie Wilson will be involved in skating after Christmas holidays as part of Physical Education.

### Physical Education Safety Guidelines



**requires that all students MUST wear a CSA approved hockey helmet for all ice skating activities. Bicycle helmets are not permitted as they are not deemed to be safe. In addition,**

**children MUST wear mitts or gloves while skating.**

Helmets and ice skates make wonderful Christmas presents for children as Red Deer has an abundance of skating facilities such as outdoor rinks, Bower Ponds and indoor arenas. *Be sure that the helmet has a sticker that says CSA approved.*

Classroom skating is beginning the second week after the Christmas break, and runs until the end of February. Please check your child's agenda and/or their teacher's web page for skating times.

**Please be advised that if your child rides the bus, they are required to have their skates in a canvas type bag for safety reasons.**

Also, if you have any skates or helmets that you would like to donate to our school, please drop them off at the school's main office.

**\*\*\*\*\*If you can help tie and/or untie skates during your child's skating time\*\*\*\*\* Your help would be GREATLY appreciated!!**

Thank you and we look forward to our skating time!

Mrs. McKeage  
Physical Education  
Teacher



## What's Happening at the Library:



### **That Tween Thing:**

Happy Holidaye-Wednesday,  
December 14- 3:30 p.m. - 4:30  
p.m. -Ages 8 to 11

Celebrate the holiday season at this awesome party! Participate in exciting events that include all of the holidays!

### **Evil Genius Club:**

Monday, December 19-3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.-  
Ages 8 to 12

Attention all hackers and evil geniuses! In this after school club we'll make lego robots, experiment with coding and electronics and plot to take over the world!

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