

Chelsea Elementary News

2 December 2010



Book Fair 2010 – A BIG THANK-YOU!

Thank-you to all of the parent volunteers you helped to make our Book Fair a huge success! We made over **\$2000.00** in literacy materials for our classrooms! Re-orders have been placed and books will go home with your children when they arrive, unless you have indicated that they are a Christmas gift. Thanks again.

Governing Board: Thursday, 9 December, in Resource Room – South Wing (across the hall from the COE). Please advise Carl Neilson (ve7eao@hotmail.com) or Ralph Mason (rmason@wqsb.qc.ca) if you wish to use the standard Open Forum time.

Cycle 2 and 3: will be off to see a morning performance of the musical Annie currently underway at Philemon Wright High School: 9 December.

Outdoor Ed: Our OE consultant, Alan Earwaker, is currently working with Mr. Butler on the construction of a new composter. Our plan is to use the compost to help with tree planting around the school campus. Our OE program also has curriculum extension in ELA, Math, and Social Studies



Our 1st annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Carolling + a seasonal reading will be held on 9 December at 6:45 pm in the Grand Hall. See the H&S Association news below.

Home and School News:

Thank you to every one who participated in the Cookie Dough Fundraiser, we are now \$3445 closer to our goal. And a special thank you to all the volunteers who help distribute the dough.

Since 2009 we have raised **\$16,900** for new playground equipment. Our goal is to raise another \$9,000 by the spring so we can receive a matching grant from the WQSB and MELs to bring our total to \$75,000. Thank you for your continued support in the fundraisers!!

With Christmas fast approaching we are gearing up for some holiday cheer.

Holiday Celebration & Christmas Tree Lighting

Join us for a **Holiday Celebration & Christmas Tree Lighting** at Chelsea Elementary School on **Thursday, Dec. 9th from 6:45pm to 8pm**. There will be Christmas carols, hot chocolate & cookies, holiday crafts, a reading of a classic Christmas tale, and ornaments made by students for sale (by donation). We welcome any contribution of cookies, x-mas stickers, craft supplies, and candy canes.

If you're interested in volunteering for the event please contact: Heather McCrimmon heathermccrimmon@hotmail.com or Sue Burnham nealadsue@bell.net.

Hope to see you there, the parents & teachers of the Chelsea Home & School Association

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Home & School Christmas Tree Sale

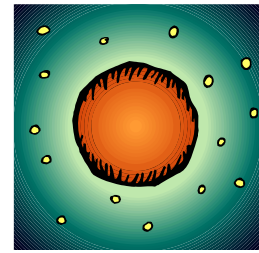
The Chelsea Fruit Stand is providing Christmas trees this year for the first time, and would like to give back to the community by sharing the proceeds with us. For every \$20 certificate towards a tree we sell, \$5 stays in our school. Trees range in price from \$40 - \$65, every tree is a groomed Fraser Fir, no Charlie Brown trees here!

Watch for more info in your email inbox or child's school bag, order forms also available at the school. Please contact Heather McCrimmon at heathermccrimmon@hotmail.com or 819-827-8028 for more info.

Spread the word to your friends & family, the more we sell - the closer we are to that new playground! Orders are being accepted from now until December 15th.

Engineering Challenge 2011: Our FSL based Science program for Cycle 3 is preparing for the annual engineering challenge.

Theme: the IMC (International Mars Colony) needs to send rock samples back to earth. IMC scientists (student teams) need to “construct a catapult to launch their payload into a low Mars orbit” where it will be “boosted” back to Earth. Student teams must design a catapult that is accurate and innovative. The project incorporates scientific inquiry, communication, creativity and collaboration.



Parent volunteers with an interest in science and / or engineering are welcome to help out. Please contact Ms. Brault (cbrault@wqsb.qc.ca) if you are interested.

Important Dates: Please note that there are no PD days in December and that the last day of regular classes for 2010 is 22 December.

“The very spring and root of honesty and virtue lie in good education.” Plutarch (46 AD - 120 AD), *Morals*

2010-2011

SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR CALENDRIER SCOLAIRE

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Legend / Légende

- Floating PD Days
- Holidays-Congés
- End and Beginning of Terms
- PD days - Journées pédagogiques

Resolution # C-09/10 -

Pd days 13 fixed days and 4 floaters (schools) Journées pédagogiques: 13 journées fixes et 4 flottantes(écoles)
183 school days/ jours de classe