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Wishing you and your loved ones a wonderful holiday filled with lots of special family time!

From ALL of us at Montecito School.



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WARM THANK YOU!

Hip, Hip, Hooray to Aiden Fitterer for initiating the Toy Drive and all the Montecito students who donated gifts....it was a tremendous success! We wish to thank our partners from the following businesses:

- Starbucks on Holdom @ Lougheed Hwy.
- Burnaby North Community Assn.

Thanks also to our PAC, parents and the Staff of Montecito who have contributed food, gifts and gift cards for our Christmas hampers. These hampers will bring joy to many families this season!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST SCHEDULE

9:00 – 9:40 am Breakfast Seating will be:

Divisions: 3, 4, 5, 7, 9 & 11

9:50 – 10:30 am Breakfast Seating will be:

Divisions: 1, 2, 6, 8 & 10

Pictures with Santa – 11:00 – 2:00 in the Music Room

- Bring your Toonie for a picture or pay on SchoolCash Online!

REMINDER:

Wear your pajamas and bring your favourite stuffed toy.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE MAKING

What an incredible community we have at Montecito! A huge thank-you to all the parents, an amazing 51 of you, who helped set-up, bought and prepared supplies, helped children, and cleaned-up after our Gingerbread House making event on Dec. 9th! What delicious fun was had by all! We couldn't have done it without you! A special thank-you to Ms. Chin, Mrs. Vaughan, Ms. Hosie, Ms. Choo and Mrs. Lakovic for taking the lead on planning the event.



IN THE NEW YEAR...

- We welcome back Ms. Laurie Copeland who will be returning from her leave. She will be team-teaching Div. 3 with Ms. Ward and Ms. Lloyd starting in January.
- Seismic Upgrade work will be continuing over the winter break. They will be completing work in the office and staffroom areas. In January, they will be excavating and moving forward with the next part of the project.

MONITORS OF THE MONTH

MIYA MLAIT: Mrs. Kimmie said: Miya has been a faithful and dedicated monitor in Div. 9, Ms. Quan's classroom, this year. She stood out to me a few weeks ago when one of the students in the class did not get her hot lunch order. Miya was a terrific problem solver and helped to make sure the child got her lunch. Ms. Quan also reports that Miya is very reliable and responsible in her monitoring duties and is very kind to the students in class. Well done, Miya! Thanks for contributing to the Montecito Community in such a positive way!

LUKA POLEDICA & RYAN SABET: Mrs. Nicoll said: Luka & Ryan consistently show up at my door when my monitors are away, and sometimes just to check to see if they can help! They follow directions well, interact with the students and make sure the students are in their seats. They have been such a great help to me and my class. Thank you Luca and Ryan for taking the time to see if your help is needed. We love the contribution you are making to our school!



Winter Holidays Bottle Drive

Please pick up your bottle drive notice at the Winter Concert on Tuesday, December 13. It's easy to drop off the bag with sticker at Kensington Bottle Depot. All monies continue to support the students at our school in various ways including buying a new water bottle refill/fountain station.

Toy Drive

Thanks to your generosity, Aidan's toy drive will be donating 87 toys to children in need in the Montecito community and the Burnaby Christmas Bureau. Thank you!

Neufeld/Purdy's Fundraiser

Thank you to all staff and families who participated in our Neufeld / Purdy's Fundraiser. Together, we collected \$1400 for our students. This great fundraiser will be offered again this Spring.

Hot Lunch

Thank you for all your patronage and all the parents who took time out to volunteer for the hot lunch program. We are pleased to announce that we have raised approximately \$2,000 for our school this first term and donated over \$50 in the resale of lunches to Me to We. We look forward to your continued support in the next two terms.

Next PAC Meeting

Thursday, January 19th at 7 pm is the next **PAC meeting** and just a reminder that **FREE CHILDMINDING** is provided.

Please visit <http://montecito.sd41.bc.ca/>
 (Scroll down to *Upcoming Events*) for the
 most up-to-date information.



January 2017

Sun.	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.	Sat.
1 Happy New Year!	2	3 School Re-opens today	4	5	6 School Wide Skate – in a.m. Munch-a-Lunch today	7
8	9	10	11	12	13 Munch-a-Lunch today	14
15	16 Ski Program #1	17	18	19 7:00 p.m. – PAC Meeting	20 Munch-a-Lunch today Crazy Hair Day	21
22	23 Ski Program #2 Young People's Concert #2	24	25 Pop-Up Cupcakes today	26	27 Munch-a-Lunch today	28
29	30 Ski Program #3	31 Fruit & Veggies served today C.O.L.A. in p.m.				