



PIONEER MIDDLE SCHOOL
PANTHER POST

Week of December 16, 2024

“All students will learn and grow academically, socially, emotionally and physically!”

“For it is in giving that we receive.”

~ Francis of Assisi

Dates to Remember

- December is Panther P.R.I.D.E. Month
- December 16: Christmas Hat Day
- December 17: Red & Green Day
- **December 17: Band Winter Concert 6:30-8:00PM**
- December 18: Tacky Christmas Accessory Day
- December 19: Spread Christmas Spirit Day
- December 20: PJ Day
- December 21 - January 5: Christmas Break
- January 6: Classes Resume
- January 6: School Council & Friends of Pioneer meet at 7:00PM
- January 6: Basketball Coaches Clinic 6:00-8:00PM

Christmas Spirit Week!

Friday Dec. 13th Ugly Sweater Day!

Monday Dec. 16th Christmas Hat Day!

Tuesday Dec. 17th Red and Green Day!

Wednesday Dec. 18th Tacky Christmas Accessory Day!

Thursday Dec. 19th Spread Christmas Spirit Day!

Friday Dec. 20th PJ Day!



*Yes, we know it's a little more than a week :)

Items of Note

The past week has been a tough one at schools across Wild Rose School Division. School's had to lay off a number of **Educational Assistants**. As of December 20, Pioneer will be losing 6-1/2 fantastic individuals. Each of them has had a very positive impact on the lives of the students they work with and will be missed personally and professionally. While we hope to have them back soon, we will adapt and adjust to meet the needs of all our students. Our remaining 5-1/2 talented EA's will continue to support our students and classrooms. For more details, please see the Wild Rose School Division press release at <https://www.wrsd.ca/our-division/news/post/jordans-principle-news-release>.

Thanks to all the parents who came out for parent/teacher **interviews** last week. Our next set of interviews will follow term 2 **report cards** in March.

Congratulations to all our term 1 award recipients we recognized this past Friday. Students earned 179 awards, including 40 attendance and perfect attendance awards. Amazing!

12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS KINDNESS

In an attempt to make the world a better place, we are encouraging students and staff to participate in the "12 Days of Christmas Kindness" between now and the break. Families are welcome to join us and participate in any way that makes the world a bit brighter.

DAY	DATE	ACT of KINDNESS
1	5 Dec.	Compliment someone in front of others.
2	6 Dec.	Tell a silly joke.
3	9 Dec.	Do a sibling's chore or a household chore without being asked.
4	10 Dec.	Write a card to a Canadian Armed Forces member or Veteran (https://tinyurl.com/2p9khyn4).
5	11 Dec.	Pick up litter.
6	12 Dec.	Shovel a neighbour's sidewalk.
7	13 Dec.	Call a relative you don't see often.
8	16 Dec.	Bake cookies or treats for someone.
9	17 Dec.	Thank a service worker (e.g. someone who serves you, like a garbage truck driver or store clerk).
10	18 Dec.	Make a list of things you are grateful for (e.g. family, friends, the feeling of mud between your toes, etc.)
11	19 Dec.	Unplug for a day to focus on the relationships with those in front of you giving them your undivided attention.
12	20 Dec.	Make a homemade holiday card for a family member.

Winter Wonderland Concert

Tuesday, December 17, 2024
 Pioneer Middle School - Gymnasium

Featuring:
 Grade 6 Band Grade 8 Band Woodwind
 Grade 7 Band Jazz Band Rock

Venue opens at 6:30pm | \$2 each for 50/50
 Concert at 7:00pm tickets - CASH