

Castlebar Junior School



Castlebears...
Embrace diversity,
Empower everyone,
Know love is love,
Fight injustice,
Care for the environment.



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Cookie Dough Fundraiser until Nov. 21

The Terra Cotta Cookie Dough fundraiser has started and will run for two weeks until November 21st. Perfect for holiday baking and gifts!

<https://fundraising.terracottacookies.com/currentfundraisers/castlebarjms2002/>

Cookie dough pick up will be December 12th after school.

Kindergarten Holiday Concert

The kindergarten students will host their holiday concert on Friday, December 16, at 10:00 AM. Due to the fire code **each child will be able to invite 3 people (including parents)**. The concert will be about 30 minutes in length and will showcase the singing talents of our students.

Castlebar Holiday Café Grades 1-5

This year we are excited to host in-person holiday cafes. Due to the limited capacity of our gym we are unable to host all the parents who want come out to support our Castlebears.

Each class from grades 1-5 will host a personalized Holiday Café. The Primary classes will host in the morning at 10:20 AM and the Junior classes will host their café in the afternoon at 2:20 PM.

Castlebar Holiday Café Grades 1-5 Continued

Each child will be able to invite 3 people (including parents) to the café. You will have your own personal table to watch your child's class perform. Each family will be given 3 tickets.

Performance Schedule Dates & Times

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| December 12 – Ms. Siddiqui-Maik | 10:20 AM |
| December 12 – Ms. Hwang | 2:20 PM |
| December 13 – Ms. Yu | 10:20 AM |
| December 13 – Ms. Pitkethly | 2:20 PM |
| December 14 – Ms. Lopes | 10:20 AM |
| December 14 – Me. Soteroff | 2:20 PM |
| December 15 – Mr. Ellenberger | 10:20 AM |
| December 15 – Ms. Hibbert | 2:20 PM |

Basket Fundraiser

It's official, the snow has started to fall and we're all starting to bundle up and think about enjoying hot coco next to a warm fire! Before we give way to the holiday break, Castlebar Parent Council is hosting our first **Winter Basket Raffle fundraiser** - where you can win one of 11 fabulously fun-filled baskets to help with those winter days!

But we need your help!

Each class has been assigned a theme for their basket OUR CLASS THEME IS: **WINTER FUN**, please see the attached PDF to find our class theme, collection dates, and details (plus a peek at the other basket themes), along with a list of suggested items (in case you are looking for inspiration!).

Important dates:

Collection dates: November 21 - December 1st

Raffle Ticket sales: December 5 - 16th

Winners announced (via FB live!): December 19th

Winners Pick Up: December 20–23

The funds collected will be earmarked for field trip expenses, Scientists in the School, or other programs/initiatives in the 2022/2023 school year.

Any questions, please be sure to email castlebarrocks@gmail.com (not the teacher, who is simply sending this on our behalf!).

Lockdown Drill Reminder – November 22

Lockdown drills, like fire drills, are an essential component to ensure student and staff safety. It is important that all staff and students are prepared and know how to respond in case of emergencies. The drill will last approximately 5 minutes and ensure plans are effective and can also identify any concerns.

Upcoming Events

Nov. 7 – 21 – Cookie Dough Fundraiser

Nov. 23 – Pizza Lunch

Dec. 1 – Coffee with the Community 8:45 – 9:10 AM

Dec. 2 – Professional Activity Day – NO SCHOOL

Dec. 7 – Pizza Lunch

Dec. 12 – Cookie Dough Fundraiser – Cookie pick up

Dec. 14 – Parent Council Meeting via Zoom

Dec. 12 – 15 Winter Café Concerts Primary 10:20 AM

Dec. 12 – 15 Winter Café Concerts Junior 2:20 PM

Dec. 16 – Kindergarten Winter Concert 10:00AM

Dec. 23 – Last Day of School – Winter Break

Dec. 24 – Jan. 8 – Winter Break – NO SCHOOL

Jan. 9 – First Day of School

Jan. 11 – Pizza Day

Jan. 12 – Coffee With the Community 8:45 – 9:10 AM

Jan. 13 – PA DAY – NO SCHOOL

Jan. 18 – Parent Council Meeting via Zoom

Jan. 25 – Pizza Lunch

Feb. 2 – Coffee With the Community 8:45 – 9:10 AM

Feb. 8 – Pizza Lunch

What is happening at Castlebar

The First Snow!



Room 8

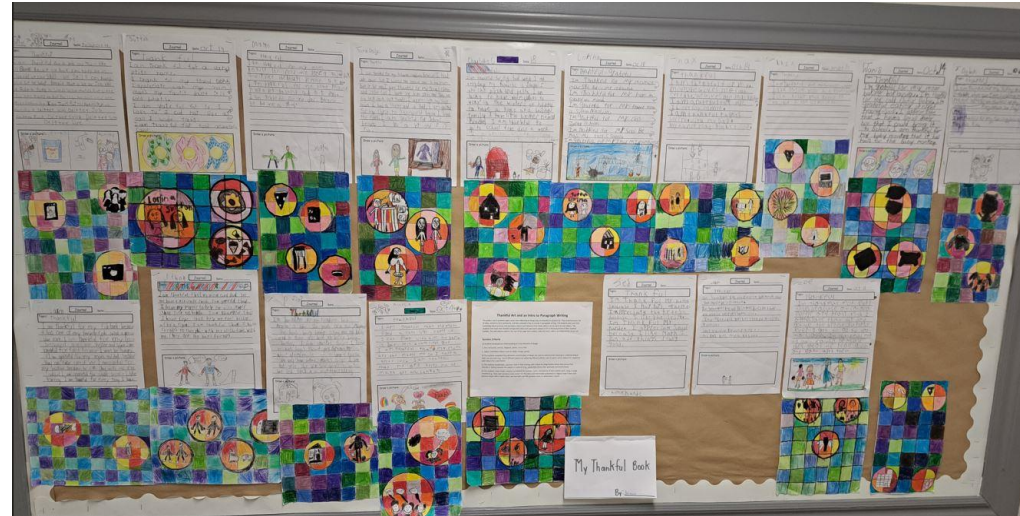
Students in Grade 3/4 B are preparing for our Holiday Cafe. They are continuing to practice painting techniques, such as dry brush, blending and tapping, to create the winter backdrop of our play. Excellent work!



What is happening at Castlebar

Room 4

The grade 2 and 3 students in Mr. Ellenberger's class spent some time reflecting on things they are thankful or grateful for. They brainstormed a list of ideas, started to form sentences, and then selected a few to include in paragraph writing. The students also took their knowledge about primary and secondary colours and looked at how these colours can be warm or cool colours. The students then took their thankful and grateful ideas and used warm colours to fill in the background of their thankful bubbles. The cool colours used on the rest of the page were used to make the warm colours and illustrations stand out!



Room 3

In Mr. Hwang's Grade 3 class, we have been experimenting a lot with warm and cool colours! They have been learning about how these colours can affect the way we see and feel about our art. Students learned different brush techniques to achieve the silhouette of the tree and used Q-Tips to fill in the trees with beautiful leaves. Great job grade 3's!

