



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT RAYMER



Dec 9 - 13
"The Sky's the Limit"



WEEKLY PREVIEW

Monday December 9

- Parkour Starts
- Choir



Tuesday December 10

- Gingerbread Day - K and K/Grade 1

Wednesday December 11

- Fiber Arts Club
- Hot Lunch: Fresh Slice Pizza

Thursday December 12

- Chip Sales \$1
- Parkour Ends
- **Term 1 Learning Updates Sent Home**
- Lakeshore Home Carols-Liebel/Tidy

Friday December 13

- School Wide Field Trip: Nutcracker
- Hot Lunch: Sushi

Upcoming Events

Dec 16-20: Winter Theme Week
Dec 17: Business of Own-Gounder/Marino
Dec 18: Dress Rehearsal for Concert
Dec 19: Winter Concert - Afternoon and Evening Shows
Dec 20: Hot Lunch: Sunshine Market
Dec 20: **Pancake & PJ Day**
Dec 23 - Jan 3: Winter Break
Jan 6: Back to School

School Focus and Learning Goals 2024/2025



Through our school belief statements found in the school calendar students and staff will:

- Understand and practice powerful reading and writing routines
- Develop and strengthen personal character attributes
- Create a caring community

"Take Care of Yourself, Others and Our School"

Winter Celebration Concert!

Please join us in celebrating the winter season! Students have been preparing songs, dances and presentations for you to enjoy as we head into our two week winter vacation.

When: **Thursday December 19th**

Where: **Raymer Elementary Gym**

Time: **12:30 pm OR 6:30 pm**



Due to space concerns, we kindly ask that you attend only one of the performances. We want to ensure adequate seating for everyone and do have limited space! Perhaps, grandparents who are not working in the day and would like to see the show could come to the afternoon showing.

For the evening performance:

- Please have your child at the school between 6:00-6:10 pm.
- School and Gym doors will open at 6:00 pm.
- Our front entrance and Tutt Street doors will be both open.
- Parents are invited to drop their children off at their classrooms and head into the gym.
- Please pick up children after the finale in their classrooms.

Please watch for messages from classroom teachers for individual classroom requests for the concert.



Chip Sale!
December 12 at lunch
\$1.00/bag



We are fundraising as a school to buy House Team t-shirts for each individual student! We will be selling chips once a month!

Dear Raymer Parents and Students,

We are thrilled to share some wonderful news with you!

Thanks to your incredible support and enthusiasm in ordering Purdys Chocolates, we have successfully raised enough funds to purchase new sports pinnies for our Raymer Ravens!

Whether you bought chocolates, encouraged others to participate, or helped spread the word, your efforts have truly paid off!

We are expecting the chocolates to arrive at Raymer on December 12th. They will be sent home with your oldest child. Please stay tuned for confirmation.

Once again, thank you for your support and for being such an amazing community. Together, we are making a difference!

Warm regards, Your Raymer PAC Team



New Pinnies!



Written Learning Updates

All our Raven's have worked extremely hard this term and we are excited to share your child's written learning update with you! Please check your child's backpack on **Thursday December 12th** for a brown envelope containing their written learning update. Enjoy celebrating their successes together as a family!



OUR STAFF!

Carlene Woodruff
Teacher



Dream Vacation: Ireland or New Zealand

Fav Colour: Green



Fav Salty Snack: Tortilla chips

Fav Hot Drink: Tea



WINTER THEME WEEK! DECEMBER 16-20

- **MON 16** - Merry Monday-wear Red and/or /Green
- **TUE 17** - Santa's Workshop-wear santa hat, elf ears, reindeer antlers, etc .
- **WED 18** - Sweater Weather - wear your cutest or not so cute holiday sweater
- **THU 19** - Winter Concert clothing
- **FRI 20** - Night Before Christmas - PJs/Pancakes Day

LOST & FOUND

Parents please stop by the school to check the tables of LOST & FOUND items that we have accumulated since September.

Any items not claimed by Thursday December 19th 2024 (we will have tables out for the concerts) will be packed up and donated.





Our Raymer community brought 823 items of food for our local food bank.

The most items were brought by Team Brown Bulldogs with 190.



Rotary Centre for Arts with Brunn/Semmelink



**Santa Bus Visit
K - Gr 2**



Raymer Leadership Team (S.O.A.R) drew photos of snowmen. This fun 'Drawing Lunch & Learn' was led by Cattleya and Carina and well attended by many.

This Week in Mrs. Crumb's Class

Little Chefs



Every month, the students have the opportunity to create something new with seasonal ingredients. In November, they baked pumpkin muffins using a locally grown pumpkin that had been roasted from a Halloween jack-o'-lantern.



Beatrice & Zachary, "It's fun and yummy to try new things."



Financial Fridays

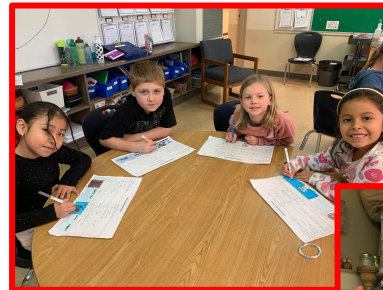
On Friday mornings, through interactive games and hands-on manipulatives, the students have been developing their skills in counting and using Canadian coins.

Indigo "At first it was tricky but it is getting easier each time."

Inquiry



In Inquiry, which combines Social Studies and Science, we have been learning about Chief Black Bear, the Thinker. We also compared two remarkable types of bears: Grizzly Bears and Polar Bears.



Furry Friends



We had a special visitor — a tiny kitten who reminded us of the importance of rescuing and adopting little creatures in the Okanagan area. And, of course, she was absolutely adorable and so soft to snuggle!



This Week in Mrs. Crumb's Class

Writer's Workshop

This dedicated group has been putting in a lot of effort, crafting paragraphs rich with details and vivid descriptive language!

Santa Bus

Raymer did an outstanding job gathering food for the local food bank. Students had the chance to meet Jolly Saint Nick when the Santa Bus arrived at the school to collect the donations.



Dinner & A Movie!

The PAC is excited to invite you to our next fun-filled community event

 Date: **Thursday, January 16th, 2025**  Time: 5:00 PM to 7:15 PM
 Movie: **The Wild Robot**  Admission: \$5 per family - CASH ONLY



Details:

-  Pizza: Pre-order only (Munch-A-Lunch will go live on January 6th)
-  Concession: Drinks, popcorn, and candy available for purchase - CASH ONLY
-  Dress Code: Wear your PJs or something cozy
-  What to Bring: A water bottle and a blanket to sit on
-  Note: All students must be accompanied by a parent

If you would like to volunteer for this event, please email ray.pac@sd23.bc.ca. We look forward to seeing you there!

HOT LUNCH

CLICK HERE TO
ORDER NOW

- Every Friday is Hot Lunch!
- **1 Wednesday per Month (Special Pizza Hot Lunch)**



All profits go to the PAC so our Raymer students can do fun things!



PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- We need parent volunteers to help with a variety of PAC run events and activities
- More Volunteers = More Events for our Raymer Community
- Contact ray.pac@sd23.bc.ca to volunteer.

NEXT PAC MEETING: Tuesday, January 28th @ 6 pm in the library.



Return-It Express Bottle Depot – Ongoing Fundraiser

Updated phone number for the Raymer PAC Return-It Express Donations: **250-870-5125**

It is so simple! No counting! No sorting! Simply bring your donation in a clear plastic bag to any of the Return-It Express locations:

- Kent Rd (Near Landmark district)
- St. Paul St (Downtown)
- Dease Rd (off Leathead Rd)

Find the express kiosk, enter the phone number, print as many labels as bags you have, label your bag(s), and leave them behind! They do the rest. The funds will be transferred to the Raymer PAC's bank account automatically! For more info: <https://www.return-it.ca/express/about/>

Thank you for continuing to support!

Your donations help us fund important school programs and fun field trips!



Inspire Healthier BC Families in Kelowna Course:



This free 10-week course runs on Wednesdays from 6:30–8:30 PM, starting February 5th at the Parkinson Activity Centre. The program is designed for families with at least one child aged 8–12, and siblings aged 6, 7, or 13 are welcome to join as well.

The focus is on practical, fun activities that strengthen family connections while building valuable skills for both parents/caregivers and children to make lasting changes.

As well families who attend all sessions will receive \$150 in credits to use toward City of Kelowna recreational activities!

A Free 10 Week Program to Inspire Healthier BC Families in Kelowna!

Learn together about:

- Healthy Eating
- Physical Activity
- Screen time
- Sleep Routines
- Wellness



For families with at least one child ages 8-12
(One parent/caregiver must attend each week)

Online self-directed option is available for families outside of the age range

Program includes:

- Q&A's with health professionals
- A family cooking class
- Post program recreation credit based on attendance

Kelowna - Parkinson Activity Centre
Wednesdays 6:30-8:30pm Feb 5 - Apr 23, 2025

Generation Health Community funding is provided by the BC Ministry of Health



Scan QR Code or
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Learn More



SNOWSTART KIDZ PASS



CALLING ALL SKIERS AND SNOWBOARDERS AGES 6-16!

Spaces are still available in our
**FUNDamentals, Riders, and
Freestylers** programs for the
2024-25 season



Try Freestyle on Sunday, December 15,
2024! Click [here](#) to register.



BIG WHITE
freestyle
SHRED. SEND. REPEAT.

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programs, click [here](#)