



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT RAYMER



Dec 2- Dec 6
"The Sky's the Limit"



WEEKLY PREVIEW

Monday December 2

- Santa Bus @12.30

Tuesday December 3

Wednesday December 4

- Fiber Arts Club

Thursday December 5

Friday December 6

- Gounder/Marino: H2O Field Trip
- Hot Lunch: Marmalade Cat



Upcoming Events



Dec 9-12: Parkour for all Ravens
Dec 11: Hot Lunch: Fresh Slice Pizza
Dec 12: Term 1 Learning Updates Sent Home
Dec 13: School Wide Field Trip-Nutcracker
Dec 13: Hot Lunch: Sushi
Dec 16-20: Winter Theme Week:
Dec 17: Business of Own-Gounder/Marino
Dec 19: Winter Concert - Afternoon and Evening shows
Dec 23-Jan 3-Winter Break
Jan 6: First Day of School after Winter Break

Winter Celebration Concert

Please Mark Your Calendars!

The students and staff at Raymer Elementary are thrilled to welcome you to our winter celebration concert!

Date: Thursday December 19th
Time: 12.30 pm - afternoon show

OR

6.30 pm - evening show (students to arrive at 6.00 pm please)

Where: Raymer Elementary Gym



PAC PURDY'S CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Support our Raymer Ravens this holiday season by indulging in the deliciousness of Purdy's chocolates!

Treat yourself and your loved ones to these delightful chocolates and help us raise funds for new sports pinnies so our Ravens can shine on game day!

ORDER NOW THROUGH DEC 1st on our campaign page:

<https://fundraising.purdys.com/1384979-124298>

Thank you for your support and happy holidays!



Order deadline: December 1st

Chocolate Delivery: December 13th

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"



OUR STAFF!

Sholeh Ghadirian

Inclusion Teacher



Fav Sweet Treat: Gummi Bears

Fav Sports Team: Spurs

Fav Animal: Chicken

Dream Vacation: Italy



After School Supervision

After school supervision ends at 2:45. If students are hoping to remain on school property and play they must have an adult at the playground with them for safety reasons. Thank you for your support in keeping our Ravens safe.

WINTER THEME WEEK! DECEMBER 16-20

- MON 16 - Merry Monday-wear Red/Green
- TUE 17 - Santa's Workshop-wear santa hat, elf ears, Rudolph accessory 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



TWIN DAY at Raymer!





HOT LUNCH



- 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!



Lost & Found

Is your child missing their jacket, sweater, gloves etc.? It could be in our overflowing lost and found bins. Please have your child take a look!



This Week in Mrs. Koch's Class

November Week with the Willows

Kindness, Respect & Responsibility

We continue to demonstrate kindness, respect and responsibility in our class. Our students work together, share and learn from one another and create a lovely learning space to be everyday. We are so proud of them.

Solomon shared that “our class is showing responsibility when we are focusing on our learning”.

Daniel said, “we are learning about how to keep our community safe like Black Bear”.

Reading Workshop

Daily we Read to Self, Listen to Reading, Word With Words and have Guided Reading with Mrs. Koch. We are learning a variety of strategies to decode words and practicing good reading habits. Becoming more fluent readers and retelling what we are reading were focuses of our small group lessons this week too.

Madison commented, “group lessons helps me become a better reader. When I find words that have the same ending and if I see them, I know them. There are even some words we can't sound out, so I want to know them by heart”.



In Writer's Workshop - we are writing personal narrative stories. Writers have been telling stories to share something that happened in his or her own life. We have been crafting stories with a beginning, middle and end. This week we have been working on writing strong beginnings in our personal narrative. We have also started using temporal words (“time words”) in several places within our stories.



This Week in Mrs. Koch's Class

Nova shared, "I love this time of day. I love writing to make up stories. Using time words makes it more interesting because it shows when something happened in your life or when it started".

Francis shared, "stories allow me to do whatever I want, and I can make up my own stories instead of watching Netflix. Writing about my emotions and feelings helps me write my real life stories, I know what to write about next".

Georgia shared, "I like the provocation in class so I can build scenes about bear and how he lives. He's Chief of all living things on land".



INQUIRY

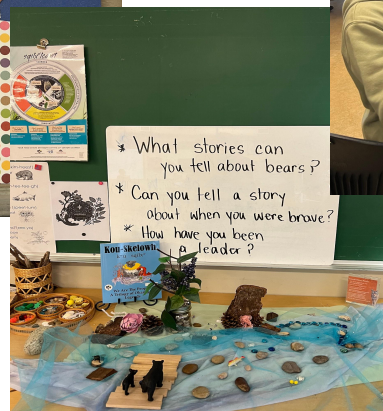
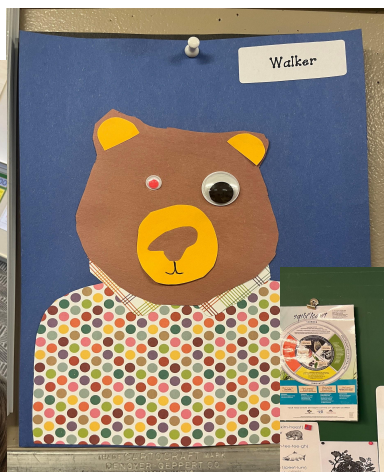
Students began exploring the Four Food Chiefs. We wonder what we might discover about ourselves and others in our Learning Community. Naturally, their wonders led us to an inquiry about bears. We've read stories about bravery, wisdom and done some art connected to this theme.

Levi and **Ethan** shared, "He's a leader like us because we follow the rules and help people in our class".

Ethan commented, "I'm a leader when I share and show others how to do things like making paper crafts".

Quinston and **Oskar** said, "Black Bear is wise and smart just like us".

And **Emilia** reminded us that "Chief Black Bear shows us to think like a thinker".



This Week in Mrs. Koch's Class

Math Workshop



We can... use a variety of strategies for adding equations.

We can... arrange, recognize and compare numbers to 100 (Gr. 2) and 1000 (Gr. 3).

Oskar said, "when we use doubles, friendly numbers and making 10 and 100, it helps us add and make harder questions be easy".

Emilia told us, "strategies help us with our mind math". And **Amy** and **Emilia** shared, "it helps us know our facts and strategies quick like lightning and we will need it for higher grade math".

Daniel thinks, "doubles are easy".

Jayden thinks, "grouping by 5 is easy for me when I count larger numbers".



Drumming & Pound

We are preparing for the Christmas Concert too!



Solomon shared, "we are learning drumming techniques for our concert and it is fun because we're singing and moving around".

Emilia likes that, "we get to be creative and do our own dance moves and I love to sing Christmas songs".

Cooking Up Tasty Treats In Our Class Community

Amy and **Emilia** expressed, "we are tasting new things and foods that we haven't tasted before like the pumpkin soup. Cooking is one of our favourite things to do so lots of people in our class can try new foods and we can be healthy".

