



REGINA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

December, 2020



McLurg
Elementary School
Regina Public Schools

Important Dates:

Weds. Dec. 2nd—Candy Cane Day. Wear Red & White

Thurs. Dec. 3rd— Mom's Pantry pick-up. **Not at the school.
Email mclurgfunlunches@gmail.com for more information

Fri. Dec. 4th—Holiday Zoom Bingo @ 1:00pm

Mon. Dec. 7th—Holiday Colouring Contest begins

7pm— SCC Zoom Meeting

Tues. Dec. 8th— Grinch Day

Weds. Dec. 9th—Holiday Joke Day

Thurs. Dec. 10th— SCC Christmas Spirit Day

Fri. Dec. 11th— Holiday Zoom Bingo @ 1:00pm

Mon. Dec. 14th—Colouring Contest voting begins

Tues. Dec. 15th—Wear Blue & White to honour Hanukkah

Fri. Dec. 18th— SCC Pajama & Movie Day

— Holiday Zoom Bingo @ 1:00pm
Early Dismissal @ 2:30pm

Mon. Dec. 21st - Fri. Jan. 1st— Winter Vacation

Mon. Jan. 4th—Back to School

Please check the website for up to date events on the [google calendar](#) and right side of home page.



<http://TheFunnyPlace.net>

Web page <http://mclurg.rbe.sk.ca/> email: mclurg@rbe.sk.ca

Thank you!

We appreciate everything that our McLurg families have and are doing to help us keep our students safe at school.

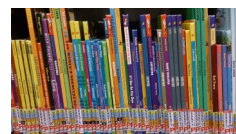
Thank you for

- Sending your student to school every day with a mask or two. Washing them & making sure they are ready for the next day.
- Sending a full water bottle to school each day. We have two filling stations but it would be too busy if every student needed to fill their bottles each morning.
- Dropping your students off in a safe way at school—using the drop-off area, having a planned meeting place by the playground, not stopping in the middle of the street and not making u-turns in front of the school.
- Picking up your student at school when we call and understanding that we need to send them home if there are any signs of illness.
- Keeping your student at home when they have coughs, sniffles or aren't feeling well.
- Emailing the office when your student is going to be away: mclurg@rbe.sk.ca
- Picking up some home work and helping your student at home so they are able to keep up with what's happening in the classroom.
- Calling when you're at the front door so we can come out and help you with what you need.
- Telling us that you appreciate what we are doing to keep your students safe.
- Following us on Twitter @mclurgmustangs to stay up to date on what's happening at school.



Calling all Library Books to Come Home!

We are still missing library books that were at home prior to closing last March. Please look around your home and send them back to school as soon as you can. Our fabulous teacher librarian Ms. Langill is missing them and will need to spend our library budget to replace them instead of building up our library collection.



Early Dismissal

Students will be dismissed on Friday, December 18th at 2:30pm.
Classes will resume on Monday, January 4th, 2020.



SAC - December Events



Christmas Spirit Days

Thursday, December 10th— Student are invited to wear holiday sweaters, Santa hats, reindeer ears, or wear red and green. Show us your Christmas Spirit!

Friday, December 18th—Pajama & Movie Day. Get comfy & cozy for the last day of school before the holidays.

School and Student Activities

- Mr. Barnes has given each classroom a collection of balls & outdoor toys for recess or other outdoor break times. Love the colour coding Mr. Barnes!
- Constable Petkau has been visiting the senior classes to talk about online safety/ cyber bullying and drug & alcohol safety. Constable Petkau was able to answer student questions and let them know that she is available to speak to students when or if they needed her.
- Grade 2 had a virtual trip to the Royal Saskatchewan Museum November 26th.
- Grade 2 has also been fortunate to have the wonderful Ms. Morgan in their class all fall.



Ms. Morgan is a University of Regina education student completing her four month internship.

- Mrs. Bentz's Grade 3 class has been learning about the world with their Flat Stanley project. It is always so exciting to see where Stanley travels to each year.
- Mrs. Gerspacher and Ms. Lang's Grade 5 classes are going to be writing holiday letters for residents at Wascana Rehab as part of their "Giving Tuesday" contribution.
- Our Educational Assistants have created some great bulletin boards this year. To start it was all about Covid safety and in November they added some fun, interactive bulletin boards— Eye Spy, a Wordsearch and a Joy board where students can write about something that brings them joy. Check out twitter for photos. @mclurgmustangs



SORRY, SON... THERE'S NO APP FOR THAT



MSCC December News



Moms Pantry THANK-YOU to everyone who placed an order through our Moms Pantry Fundraiser. Once again this fundraiser was a huge success! Order pick up will be held on **Thursday December 3rd from 3:00- 6:00 pm**. Please note, pick-up of orders will NOT be taking place at the school this year due to covid restrictions. Pick-up location will be emailed to everyone who ordered or contact us @

mclurgfunlunches@gmail.com if you don't receive an email. Due to the perishable nature of the product, all items must be picked up during this time. If you are unable to make this scheduled time work, please send someone in your place to collect your order.

Santas Little Helpers - If you have ever wondered what to give your child's teacher to show your appreciation, we can help! This year the MSCC has teamed up with Santa who was able to sneak us the wish lists from the McLurg Staff. If you would like a copy of a certain staff members list, send us a message through facebook (www.facebook.com/MSCCpage) or email us at mclurgfunlunches@gmail.com. Please include in your message the staff members name as well as what email you would like the list sent to. Happy Shopping!

Opt-out of fundraising option - This is a way for you to help support some of our projects without having to participate in any fundraising! Donations (of your choice) can be e-transferred to mclurgfunlunches@gmail.com and indicate opt- out fundraiser. in the memo line. Thank-you to those who have already donated!

Next Meeting Our next meeting will be held on Monday, December 7th @ 7pm once again using zoom. The link can be found on our facebook page prior to the meeting.



PowerSchool Parent Portal—To encourage regular communication between school and home regarding student achievement, PowerSchool Parent Portal is available for all students from Grades 1 - 12. Parents can contact the school office for information for accessing Parent Portal by calling Mrs. Ziebart in the office at 306-791-8496.

We love reading and we also know that students who read at home are more successful in school. Students have opportunities to read for pleasure and learning during the school day but it's like anything else—the more you practice the better reader you will become.

We also love the idea of Jólabókaflóð, or "Yule **Book Flood**," which originated during World War II in Iceland when foreign imports were restricted, but paper was cheap. While giving books is not unique to Iceland, the tradition of exchanging books on Christmas Eve and then spending the evening reading is becoming a cultural phenomenon.

Why Read 20 Minutes a Day?

Student A reads
20 minutes



Results in:

1,800,000 words read per year

Scores in the **90th percentile**
on standardized tests

Student B reads
5 minutes



Results in:

282,000 words read per year

Scores in the **50th percentile**
on standardized tests

Source: Nagy, Anderson and Herman, 1987

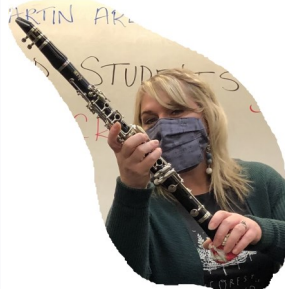
Band News

Thank-you for these 'rock stars'!! In a normal year, preparations would be well under way for our annual Winter Concert which would take place at the beginning of December. This year, we are still busy in sectionals preparing new music, developing our skills, and making progress on our instruments.



It's been an adventure with our 'slitted masks', bell covers, and our new band safety guidelines. Given these 'unique' times in our band classes, we are so proud of the students for their resiliency and perseverance. They are wonderful and we truly enjoy seeing them each week!

The December calendar will be emailed home shortly, and as always, please don't hesitate to get in touch if you ever need to.



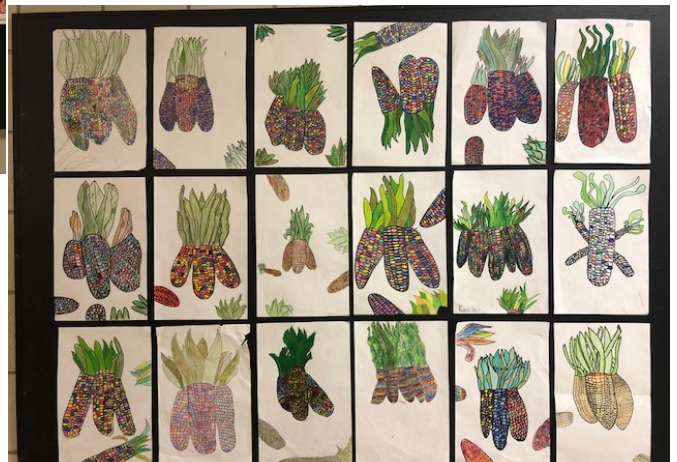
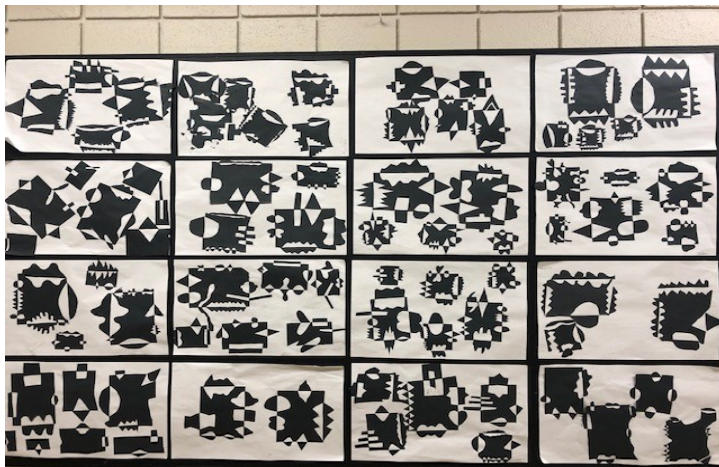
Martin Area Band Team
(The Masked 'BAND'ITS)
Vanessa Strykiwsky, April Friars, Kim Schmirler



Winter and Dressing for Outside

Please remember that students are outside at least three times during the day even as the weather gets colder. Students need to be dressed for the temperature including jackets, mitts/gloves and hats. Younger students are warmer when they have snow pants and winter boots. Many classes spend time outside during the day during physical education and outdoor activities. Also, supervision begins 15 minutes before the start of the school day at 8:53am.








Letters to Santa. More information at <https://www.canadapost.ca/cpc/en/our-company/giving-back-to-our-communities/write-a-letter-to-santa.page>

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Canada

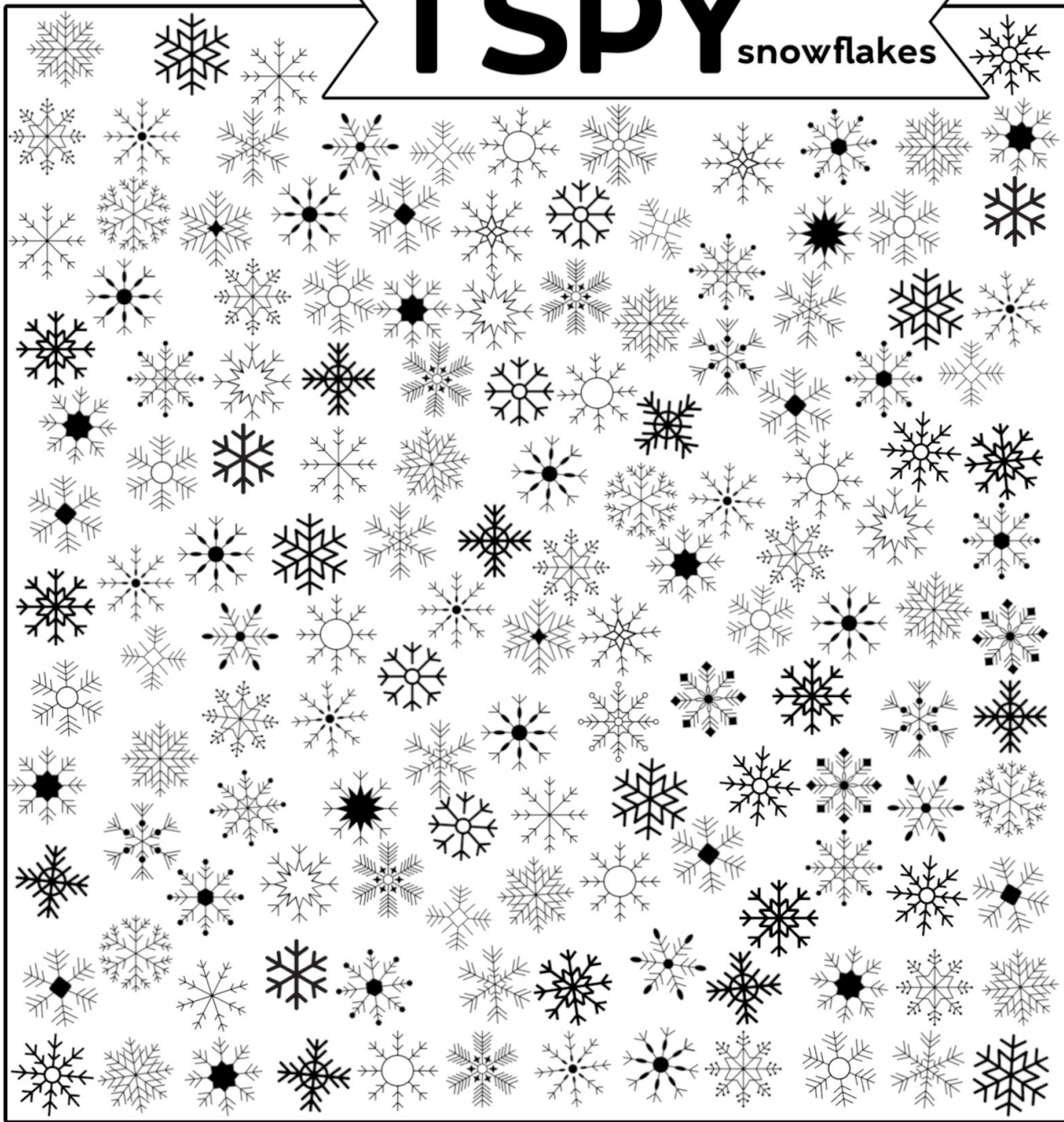


December



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|  |  | <i>1 Giving Tuesday</i> Help you community today. | <i>2 Candy Cane Day.</i> Wear Red & White Candy Canes for Everyone! Zoom Story 9:30 | <i>3 Santa's List Day</i> Make your list . Make sure to mail your Letter to Santa! | <i>4 Holiday</i> Zoom Bingo at 1:00pm | <i>5 Mitten Day</i> |
| <i>6 Bake Cookies Day</i> | <i>7 Colouring Contest Begins</i> | <i>8 Grinch Day</i> Zoom Story @ 9:30 | <i>9 Holiday Joke Day</i> on Zoom @ 9:30 Who has the funniest joke in your class? | <i>10 Holiday Spirit Day</i> Wear your most awesome holiday sweater or green & red | <i>11 Holiday</i> Zoom Bingo @ 1:00pm | <i>12 Holiday</i> Train at Home <small>Details on the CP Facebook page 6pm MT</small> |
| <i>13 International Children's Day</i> | <i>14 Colouring Contest Voting Begins. International Monkey Day</i> | <i>15 Wear Blue & White for Hanukkah</i> | <i>16 Holiday Story Day</i> Zoom @ | <i>17 Snowflake Day</i> Who can make the most creative snowflake ? | <i>18 Holiday</i> Zoom Bingo @ 1:00pm | <i>19 School Holidays Begin</i> |
| <i>20</i> | <i>21 Winter Solstice</i> | <i>22</i> | <i>23 Festivus</i> | <i>24 Christmas Eve</i> | <i>25 Christmas Day</i> | <i>26 Boxing Day</i> Card Playing Day |
| <i>27 National Fruitcake Day</i> | <i>28</i> | <i>29</i> | <i>30 Bacon Day</i> | <i>31 New Years Eve</i> | <i>2020</i> |  |

I SPY snowflakes



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