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- January 4- Classes Resume
- January 10- Home Basketball Game vs Jasper
- January 12- Home Basketball Game vs Gerard Redmond
- January 18- Basketball Away Game @ Gerard Redmond
- January 27 & 28 - Dare to Care workshop
 - Parent Session 6:30-8:30
- January 31- Basketball Away Game @ Harry Collinge

PARENT COUNCIL NEWS

Our Parent Council meeting was held on November 18. Thank you to those parents who were able to attend and provide input!

SURVEYS

During the meeting we discussed our School Improvement Plan goal of increasing parental involvement in education. It was noted that out of all the grade 4 and 7 parents surveyed, only 9 returned the forms. We are hoping that when the **Alberta Government surveys come out again in January**, we are able to increase that number as it provides us with good information for school planning.

These surveys will be mailed out by Alberta Education directly to parents, and we strongly encourage you to fill them out and return them.

and would like to get more input from parents.

The Council also made plans for Odyssey of the Mind with Heather French. Dates were set for a parent information meeting and next steps were laid out. We are looking forward to seeing this great program take off!

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND



Finally, the issue of the type of items sold at dance canteens was brought up in terms of healthy choices for the students. This is an area of interest

Please look out for future dates and hope to see you there!

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DARE TO CARE COMING TO SUMMITVIEW



www.daretocare.ca

The Dare to Care program is coming to Summitview Middle School January 27 and 28. Dare to Care is a comprehensive approach to creating a safe and caring school community by involving students, teachers, parents and the community.

The program consists of a Parent Information night on January 27 from 6:30-8:30 entitled Bully Proofing Your Child. That same day, our grade 7 and 8 students will take part in a full day workshop called Take the Time, and on the 28th, our grade 4, 5, and 6 classes will have a half day workshop.



For more information about this program, please visit www.daretocare.ca



Special thanks goes to Encana who has sponsored the full cost of this event!

Summitview Christmas Concert



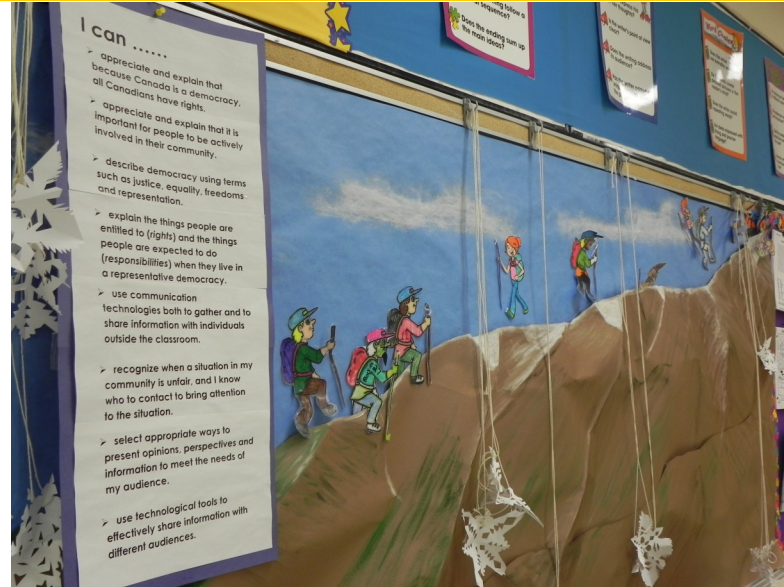
Summitview Middle School was pleased to hold our first Christmas Concert just prior to the holiday break. With the support of parent volunteer Mary Nelson, classes rehearsed and performed for students, family and friends! It was a great success and we thank everyone who came out to enjoy it! We look forward to this new tradition at Summitview continuing next year!



High Education Standards

On Friday afternoons, teachers at Summitview School meet to discuss assessment. They work on putting curricular outcomes into student friendly language and developing meaningful assessments. The purpose of student friendly language is for all students to understand what they are expected to learn.

Through this collaboration, teachers are able to share their ideas, expertise and strategies to develop better classroom assessments and ensure that all students are achieving high educational standards.



Adapt to a Changing Society

Odyssey of the Mind is coming to Summitview School! This unique program promotes out of the box thinking in a team atmosphere as students and parent coaches work to solve interesting and creative problems.

Thanks to our adult coach volunteers for taking on these teams! Look for updates on their progress!



We had a huge turnout of parents to our information evening with great support for coaching these teams! Teams are taking shape to begin tackling the long term problems such as Extreme Mouse Mobiles, where students must design and build a vehicle powered solely by mouse traps!



Collaborative Partnerships



Students at Summitview stood up against bullying in late November. Students, staff and community members discussed what it means to "stand up". They were also encouraged to share their "I stood up" stories with others.

At Summitview we are working to create a safe and caring school!



Variety of Complementary Experiences

Cree students have the exciting opportunity to prepare traditional bannock. Our FNMI coordinator, Mrs. Fehr is providing this unique opportunity for students to learn more about Cree culture.

The halls at Summitview are alive with the sounds of recorders. Grade 4 students have been practicing basic songs on the recorder in class. We look forward to hearing more from these talented students.

Mrs Aiken and the grade 7/8 Drama class are busily practicing for their upcoming production "Axe of Murder". This will be the second Drama production presented by the Grade 7/8 CTS classes. With last year's rave reviews and the students excitement, this year's production is sure to be another outstanding performance.

Socially Responsible Citizens



Summitview students were delighted to participate in a Christmas Dance December 10. The dance was provided free of charge courtesy of the Grande Cache Coal. Students were also encouraged to bring items that will be donated to the Grande Cache Food Bank. A huge thank you to the Mine for the dance and to Summitview students for providing food for our local food bank.

